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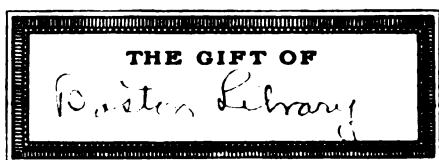
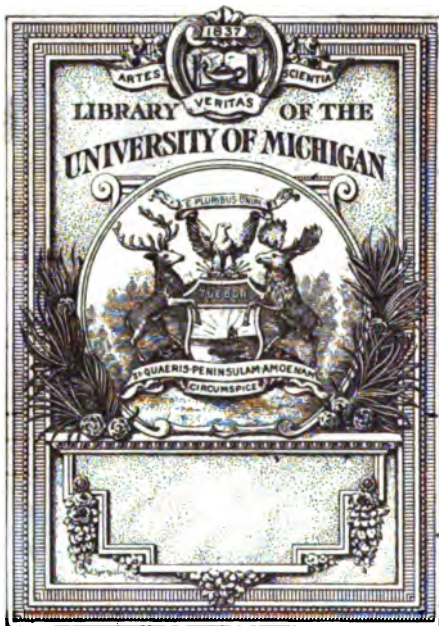
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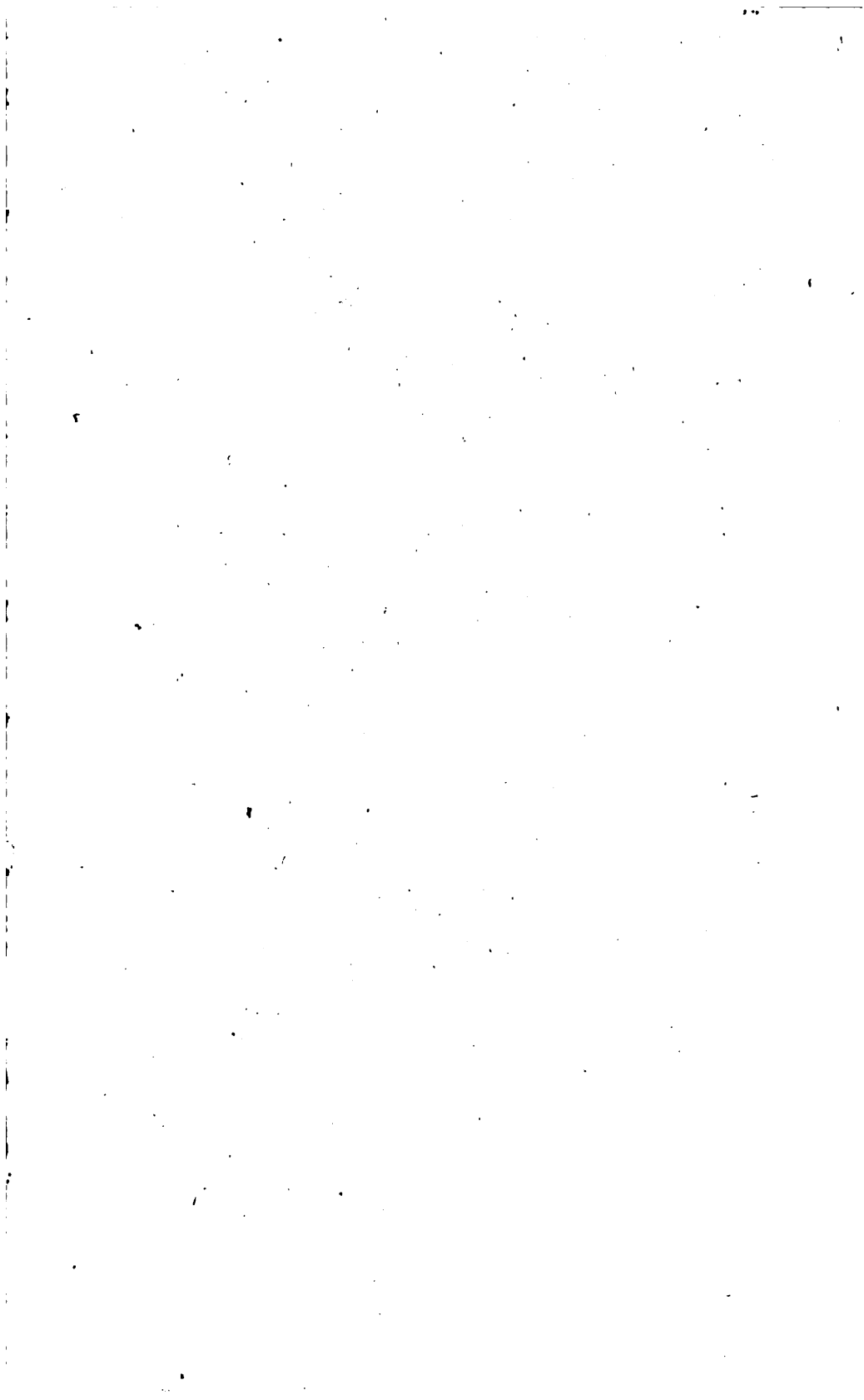
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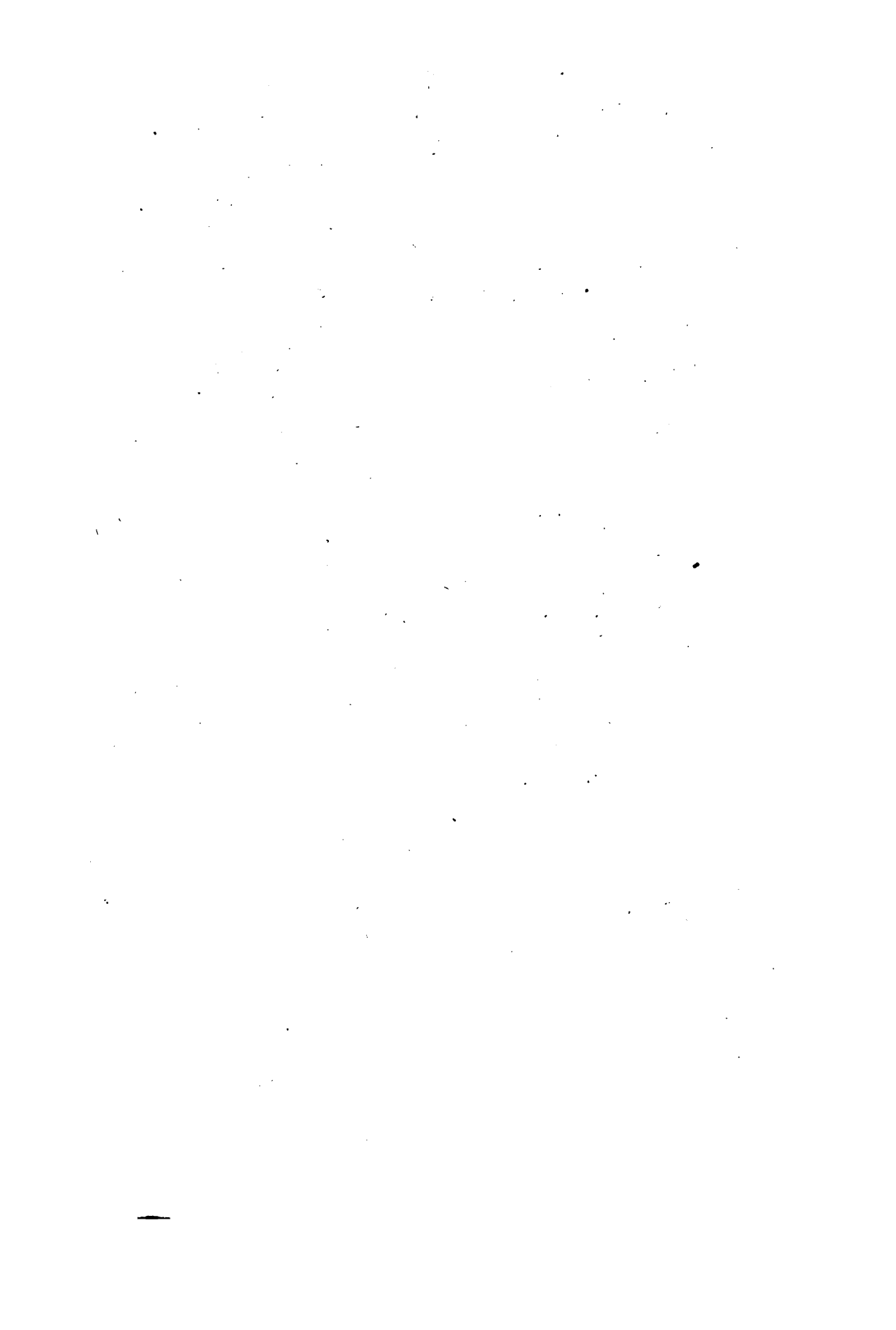
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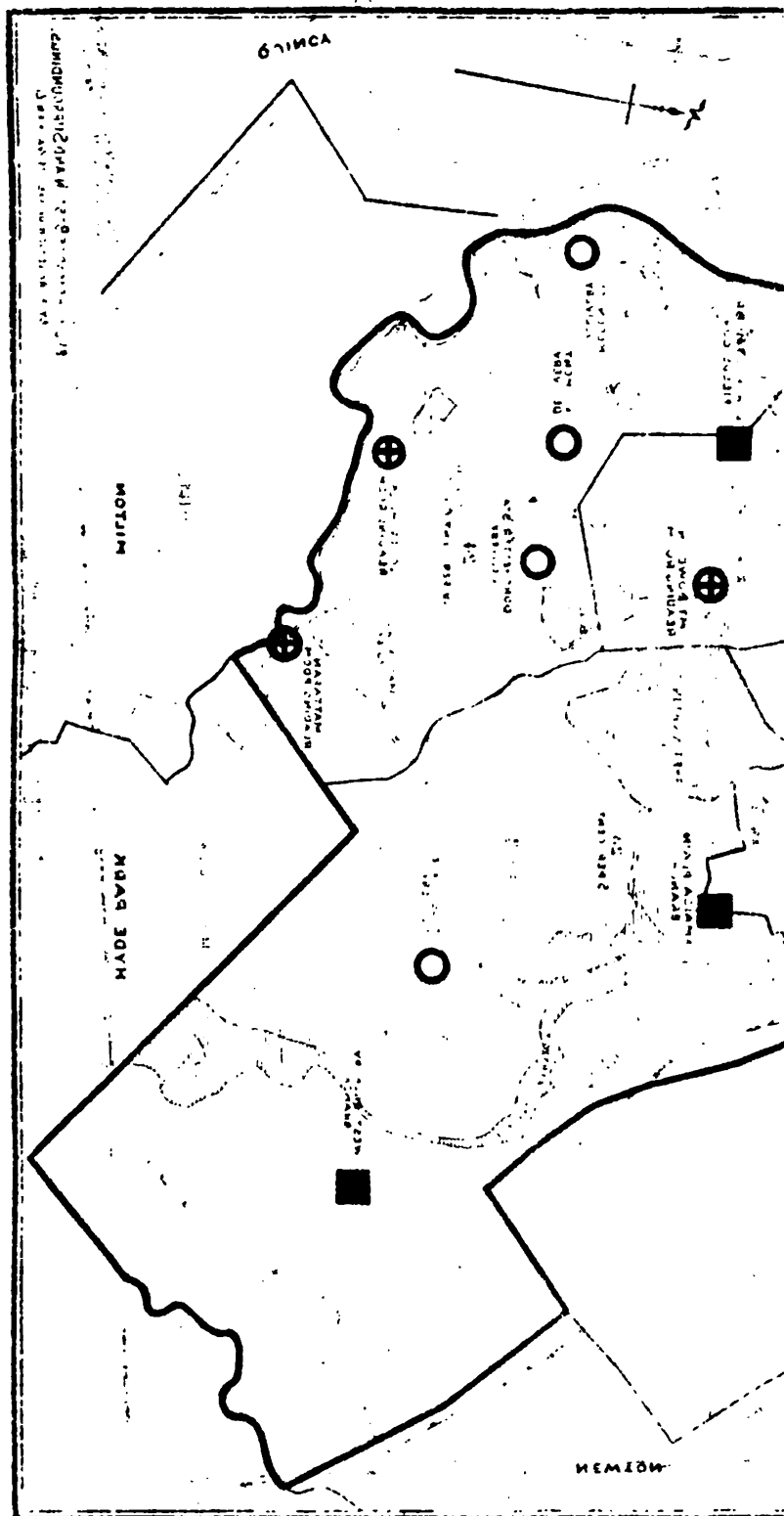
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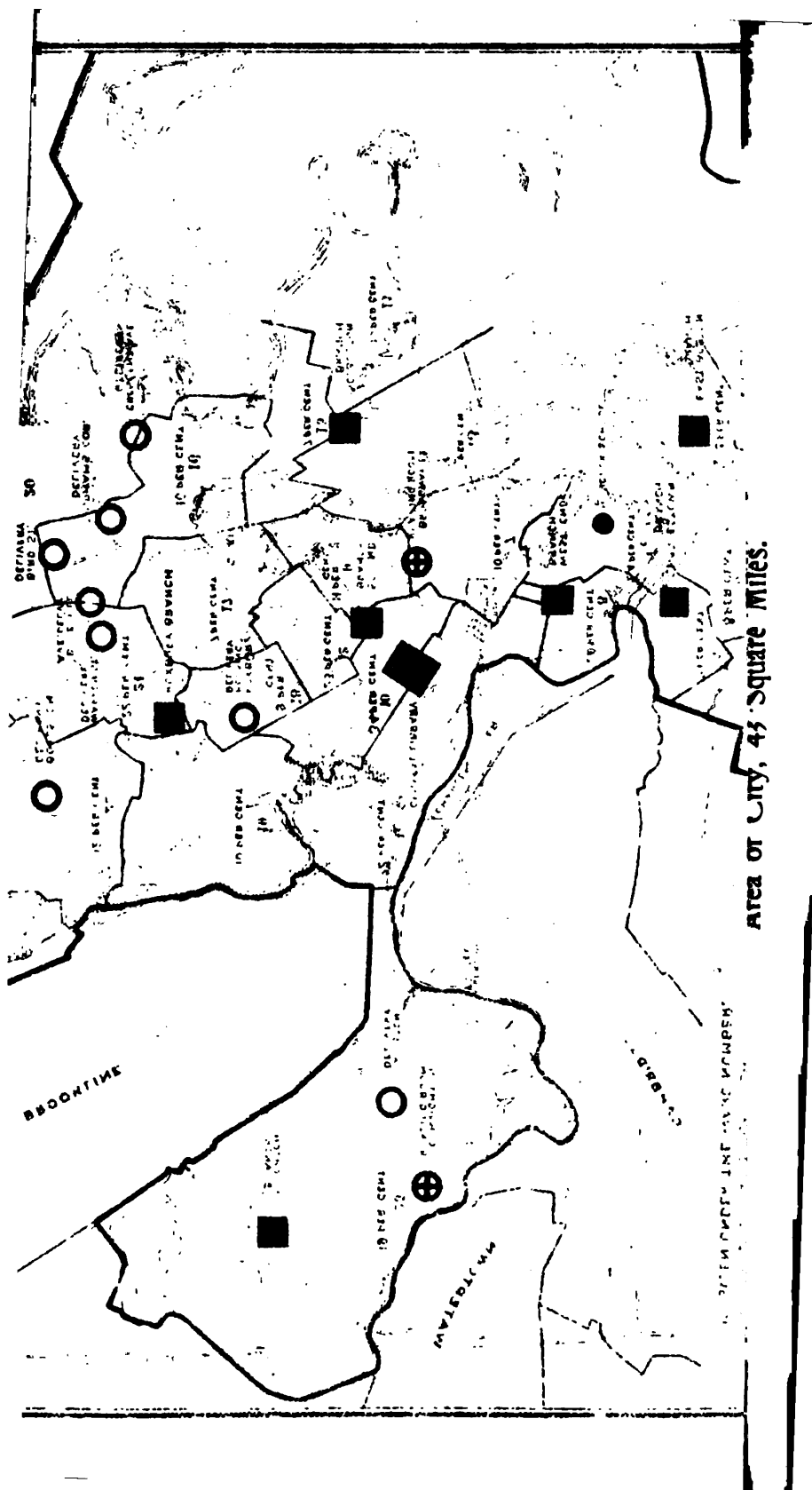
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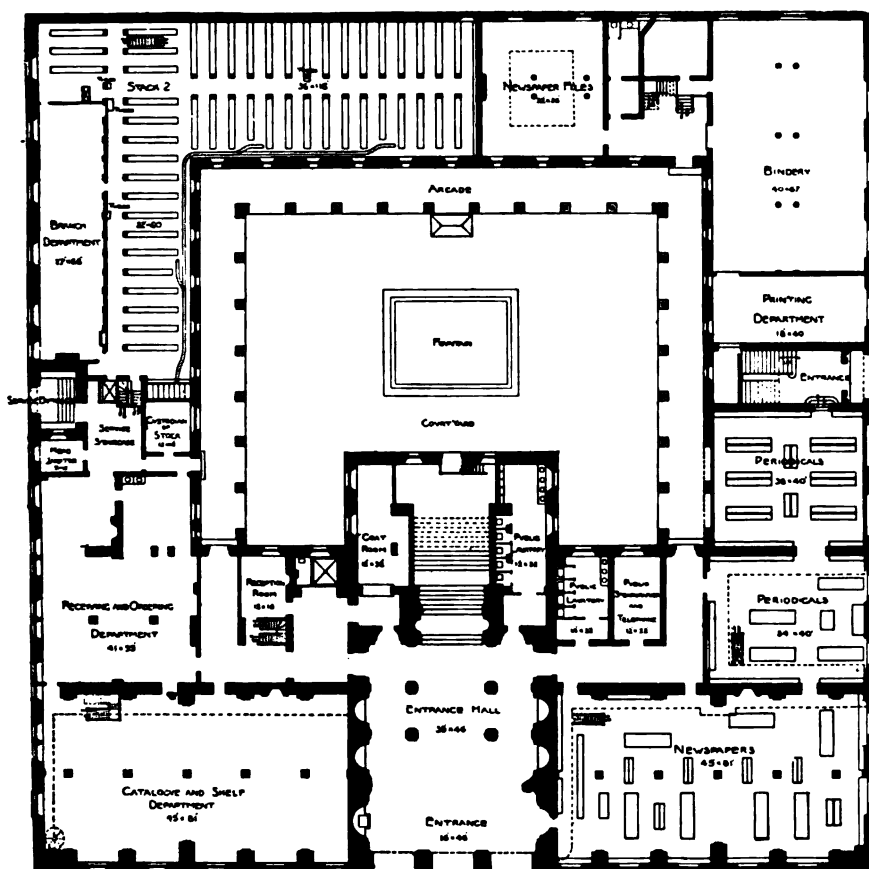


LIBRARY SYSTEM, FEBRUARY 1, 1899.

DEPARTMENTS.	Opened.	Volumes, Jan. 31, 1899.	Circulated for home use, 1898-1899.
Central Library, Copley sq. Established May 2, 1864...	Mar. 11, 1896	560,822	422,849
East Boston Branch, 37 Meridian st.....	Jan. 28, 1871	11,814	60,486
South Boston Branch, 372 Broadway.....	May 1, 1872	14,912	75,407
Roxbury Branch, 46 Millmont st.....	July, 1873	32,859	86,023
Charlestown Branch, City sq.....	*Jan., 1874	31,956	54,927
Brighton Branch, Holton Library Building, Rock- land st.....	*Jan., 1874	13,686	36,217
Dorchester Branch, Arcadia, cor. Adams st.....	Jan. 25, 1875	15,413	55,768
South End Branch, English High School Building, Montgomery st.....	Aug., 1877	13,909	88,408
Jamaica Plain Branch, Curtis Hall, Centre st.....	Sept., 1877	12,496	52,225
West Roxbury Branch, Centre, near Mt. Vernon st.....	*Jan. 6, 1880	4,322	22,376
West End Branch, Cambridge, cor. Lynde st.....	Feb. 1, 1896	10,825	115,656
Station A. Lower Mills Reading Room, Washington, near River st.....	June 7, 1875	88	5,206
" B. Roslindale Delivery Station, 25 Poplar st...	Dec. 3, 1878	.....	13,501
" D. Mattapan Reading Room, River, cor. Oak- land st.....	Dec. 27, 1881	98	2,702
" E. Neponset Delivery Station, 49 Walnut st....	Jan. 1, 1883	.....	3,896
" F. Mt. Bowdoin Reading Room, Washington, cor. Eldon st.....	Nov. 1, 1886	992	10,236
" G. Allston Delivery Station, 14 Franklin st....	Mar. 11, 1889	.....	9,041
" H. Ashmont Delivery Station, 4 Talbot ave....	July 26, 1890	.....	7,410
" J. Dorchester Station Delivery Station, 1 Mil- ton ave.....	Nov. 12, 1890	.....	8,886
" K. Bird Street Delivery Station, 6 Wayland st.	Jan. 22, 1892	.....	3,412
" L. North Brighton Reading Room, 56 Mar- ket st.....	May 9, 1892	76	3,914
" M. Crescent Avenue Delivery Station, 940 Dorchester ave.....	June 25, 1892	.....	7,057
" N. Blue Hill Avenue Delivery Station, 200 Blue Hill ave.....	July 1, 1893	.....	9,946
" P. Broadway Extension Delivery Station, 13 Broadway Extension.....	Jan. 16, 1896	1,582	27,718
" Q. Upham's Corner Delivery Station, 756 Dud- ley st.....	Mar. 16, 1896	.....	15,590
" R. Warren Street Delivery Station, 339 War- ren st.....	May 1, 1896	.....	11,873
" S. Roxbury Crossing Delivery Station, 1173 Tremont st.....	Jan. 18, 1897	.....	14,653
" T. Boylston Delivery Station, Lamartine, cor. Paul Gore st.....	Nov. 1, 1897	9,875
" U. Ward Nine Delivery Station, 62 Union Park st.....	Dec. 27, 1898	1,300

* As a branch.





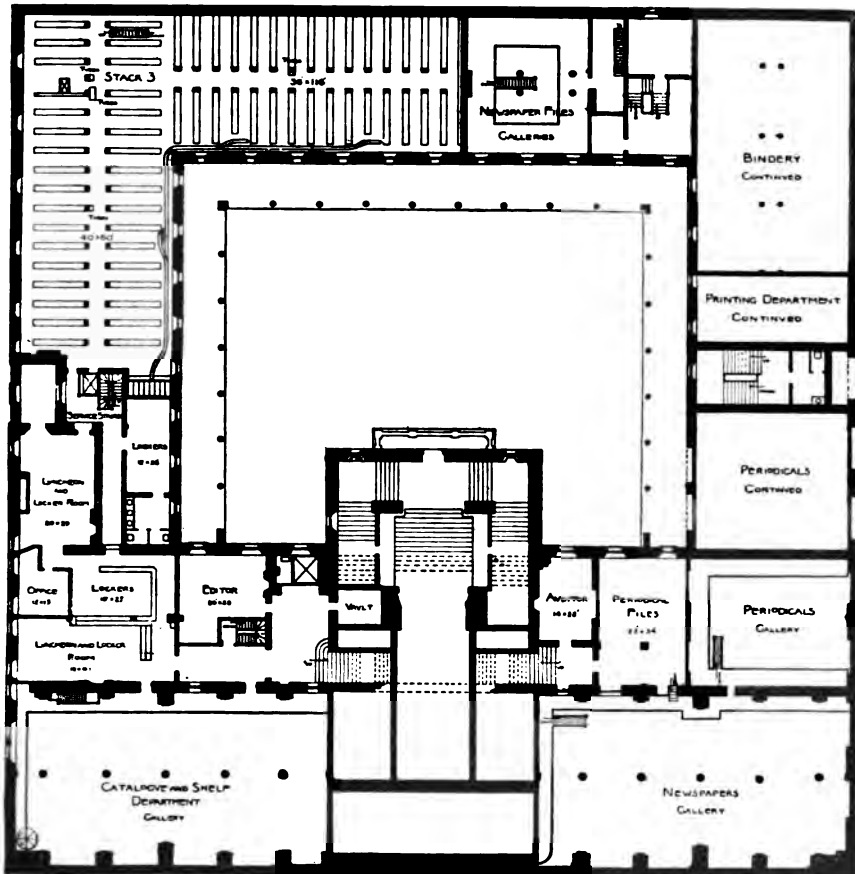
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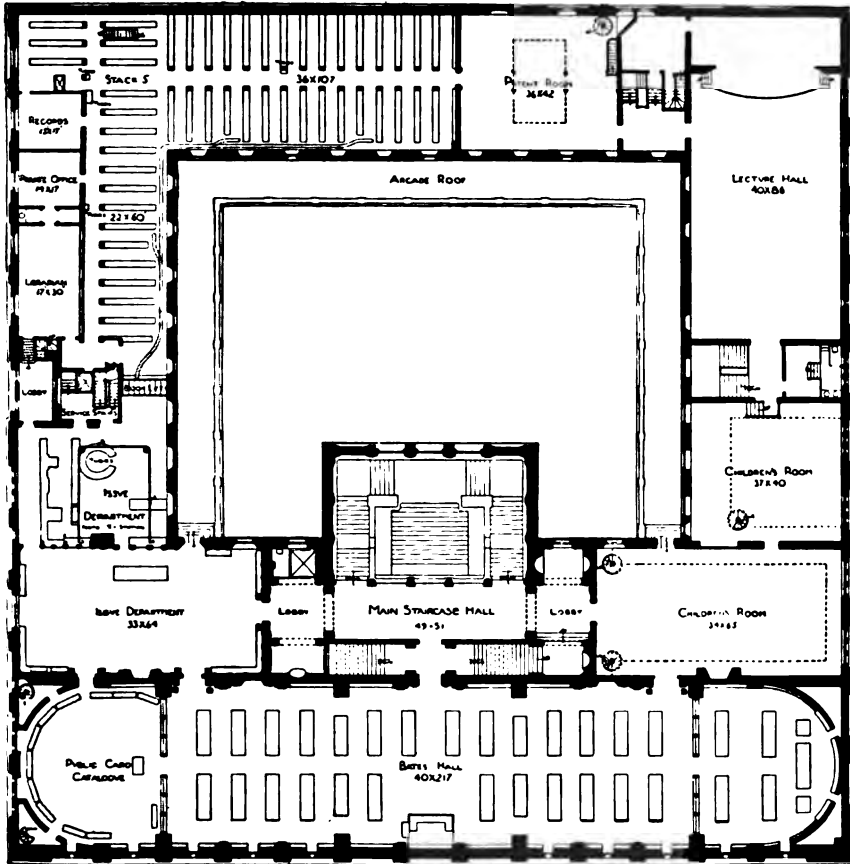
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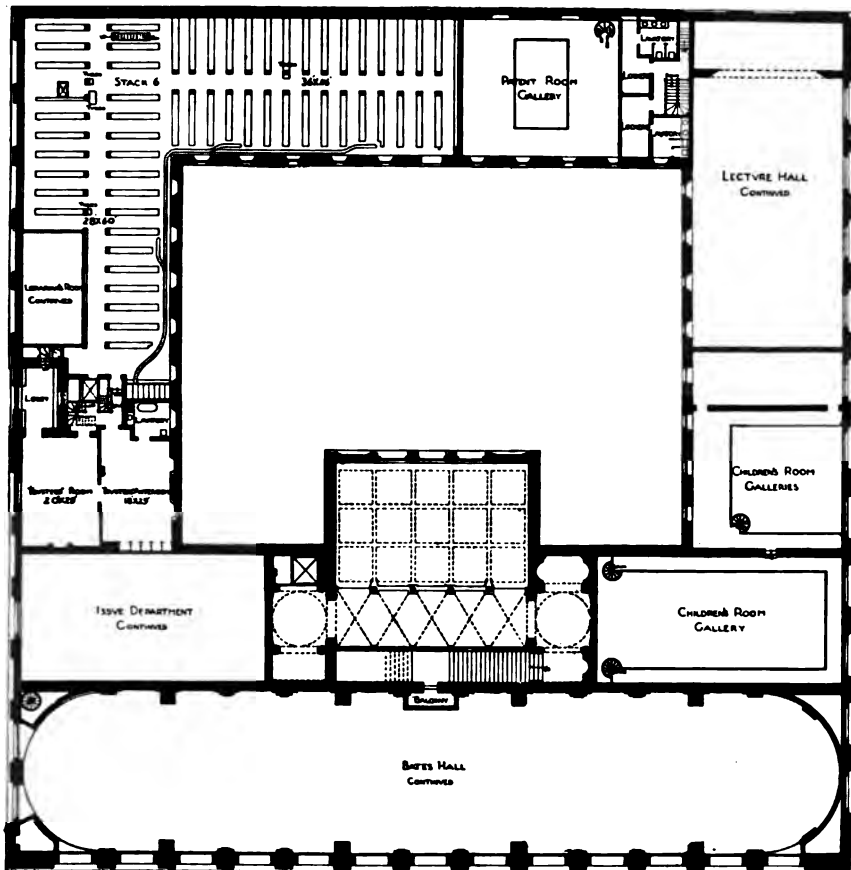
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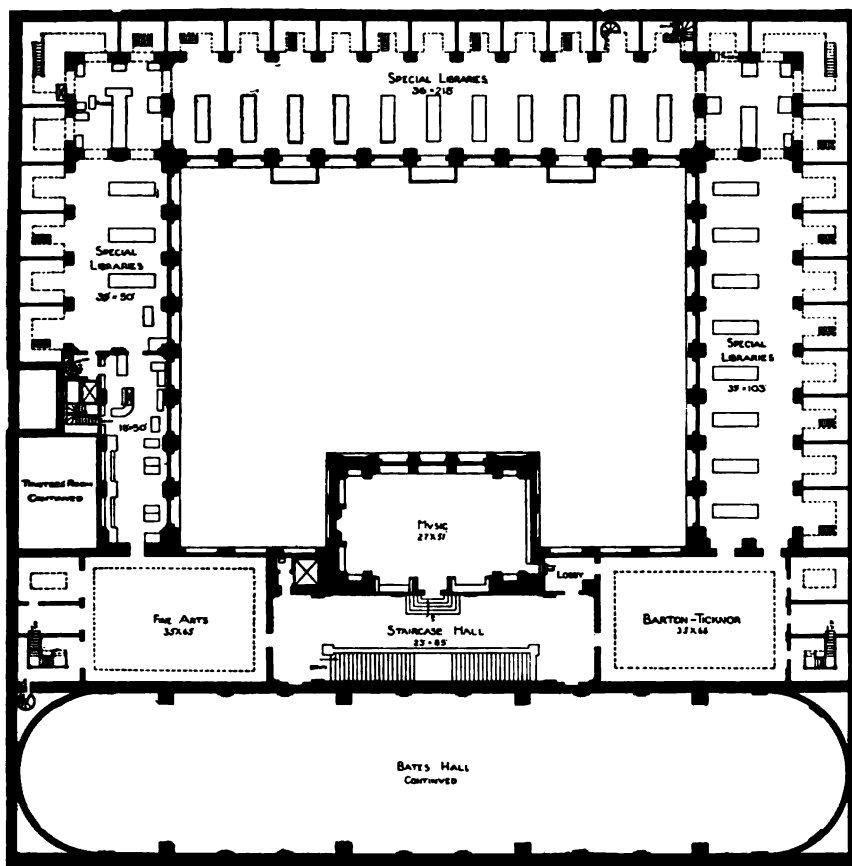
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TO HIS HONOR JOSIAH QUINCY,

Mayor of the City of Boston:

The Trustees of the Public Library present the following report of its condition for the year ending January 31, 1899, being the forty-seventh annual report.

They include herewith, as a part of their report, that of the Librarian and its accompanying reports, including that of Mr. Worthington C. Ford, Chief of the Department of Documents and Statistics, together with the report of the Examining Committee. These reports contain details of which the Trustees in this report present only a partial summary.

An exact account of the receipts and expenditures of the Trustees for the past year is found in the reports of the Librarian and of the Auditor, but these statements do not exhibit in a simple form the income and expenditures which may be said strictly to belong to the year.

1898-1899.

The cost of maintaining the Library during the year 1898-1899 was :

Salaries	\$162,690 48	
Books	29,035 04	
Periodicals	5,900 06	
Newspapers	2,146 44	
General maintenance	64,808 02	
	<hr/>	\$264,580 04
Of this amount		
The city appropriated	\$246,855 87	
The trust funds yielded	13,674 11	
	<hr/>	\$260,529 98
The balance of the cost		
was obtained from miscellaneous gifts, etc.		\$4,050 06

This statement does not include balances of preceding years which were subject to charges for outstanding orders for books and similar appropriations incurred prior to the year covered by this report, but attempts to show in general the means at the command of the Trustees during the year for the maintenance of the Library, including the purchase of books.

Two sources of income, viz., the rents of the old Library building and the proceeds of fines and of the sales of the publications of the Library, of which the Library had heretofore received the benefit, were no longer available. By the requirements of the appropriation bill of 1898, sums received from these sources were paid into the City Treasury. In consequence, the means at the disposal of the Trustees for the general purposes of the Library were less by about \$2,000 than in the preceding year, although the general appropriation by the city exceeded that of the preceding year by \$10,000.

The preparation of the publications of the Library involves a cost of over \$4,000 annually, and this expense is paid from the general appropriation. The cost of collecting the fines due the Library amounts to about \$1,500 annually, and this cost is also paid from the general appropriation. It seems just to the Trustees that the proceeds of the sales and of the fines should both be allowed to the Library, or that the expenses incurred by them in these regards should be reimbursed to them and not made a charge upon their general resources.

It has been for some time obvious that it was desirable to make certain alterations and improvements in the Library Building as originally constructed, not so much by way of addition to it as for the purposes of better administration, especially with reference to the more rapid delivery of books, for better accommodation of readers, and for better ventilation and general sanitary arrangements. There were no funds in the possession of the Trustees available for these purposes. Under the authority of an Act of the Legislature

passed in the session of 1898 and the subsequent action of the City Council, a special appropriation of \$100,000 was provided. This sum, together with portions of some small balances of the original appropriations for the construction and furnishing of the building, have been expended during the past year for the purposes described. The details of the work are exhibited in the Librarian's Report. It is substantially completed, and has greatly improved the convenience and healthfulness of the Library, both for the public and those employed in it, has added greatly to the efficiency of its administration, and to a degree in excess of the expense incurred.

The use of the Library constantly increases. This increase is shown in various ways. The number of card holders for 1897 was 64,973; for the year 1898 it was 72,005, showing an increase of 7,032, or nearly 11 per cent. The increase of the circulation of books and of visitors and readers, both at the Central Library and the branches, furnishes additional evidence of such increased use.

This increased use involves additional expense of the administration of the Library and such additional expense the Trustees have been able to meet chiefly by diminishing the purchases of books. It is upon this item of expenditure that the pressure of economy immediately falls. Accordingly the increase of the Library in volumes purchased has been considerably less during the past year than in the preceding. In 1897, 33,131 volumes were added to the Library, but in 1898 only 25,470 — a number less by 7,661.

The Trustees find it difficult, with the means at their command, to supply the Library and its branches with the popular publications of the day. It is only from the slender income of the Trust Funds that they can procure the rarer books needed to maintain the general character of the Library as one valuable not merely to supply entertainment, but also as one useful to the mechanic, the student and the scholar. The Library is greatly in need of means to

purchase the rare historical material occasionally offered for sale, and otherwise not easily to be obtained, especially that relating to the history of Boston and of New England, which the Trustees consider it their especial duty to collect.

The general condition of the books in the Library is good, but prudent management calls for the expenditure of a much larger sum than the Trustees have at their command for the rebinding and repair of many volumes. At least \$20,000 could be wisely expended for these purposes and this sum is required by true economy.

Requests are continually presented to the Trustees for the permanent improvement of certain branches, for the establishment of new delivery stations, and for similar expenditures. The means at their command have enabled them to comply with but a small portion of these requests. Four additional public schools and one branch post office have been made deposit stations, and one delivery station has been supplied with a deposit collection. These additions represent the expansion of the Library system during the past year.

With respect to the financial position of the Library the Trustees report that they have kept their expenditures strictly within their means. No expenditure or obligation is incurred beyond the limit of such means, and consequently there is no deficit at the close of the year. It is, of course, obvious that unless these means increase in proportion to the use of the Library and the growth of the city it will be impossible to maintain its present rank and usefulness.

The Trustees have added a new department this year to the Library, that of Documents and Statistics. In June, 1898, the American Statistical Association presented to the Library its valuable collection of books and pamphlets numbering about 5,000 volumes. These, together with the Public Documents and other similar economic and sociological material already in the possession of the Library, constituted a valuable collection which the Trustees were satisfied could be made available for great service to the public. It furnishes the means for investigations tending to the improvement of laws, of social conditions and the expansion of trade. Accordingly, this department was created and Mr. Worthington C. Ford was appointed its Chief. Mr. Ford was formerly Chief of the Bureau of Statistics of the Treasury Department at Washington and brings to the service of the Library the benefit of his large experience. The Trustees ask attention to the reports of the Librarian and of Mr. Ford, which contain an extended description of the value and purposes of the department and an account of what it has thus far accomplished.

There has been presented to the city of Boston and deposited in the Library a copy in marble, made by John Hutchison, R.S.A., of the bust of Sir Walter Scott now placed in Westminster Abbey by the Committee on the Scott Memorial.

Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson has presented to the Library twenty-four wooden blocks engraved by Mr. Stevenson himself, impressions of which were reproduced in the Bonus Volume of the Edinburgh Edition of his works.

Other gifts of interest and value are enumerated in the Librarian's report. While the Trustees are of the opinion that it is undesirable to make the Library in any sense a museum of curiosities, yet there are many objects of art and literature which find an appropriate place in it, and are both interesting and instructive. Such gifts they welcome.

They again call attention to the great need of permanent endowments for the Library. It is chiefly from such sources that the permanent value of the Library can be secured.

The large inner court of the Library Building possesses great architectural beauty, but it is incomplete, and affords room for much greater additional natural and artistic decoration. The open area offers a field for the display of shrubs and flowers; and sculpture and other works of art would find most appropriate positions. The Trustees hope that some generous giver may recognize here his opportunity.

The Committee appointed by the Trustees to examine the Library during the past year consisted of:

J. Bapst Blake, M. D.	Hon. Henry W. Bragg.
Hon. Patrick A. Collins.	Rev. Arthur T. Connolly.
E. Winchester Donald, D.D.	Wm. H. Ensworth, M.D.
Mr. C. W. Ernst.	Miss Gretchen Field.
Mr. Alfred Hemenway.	Mr. Thomas Hills.
Mr. John H. Lee.	Mr. A. Lawrence Lowell.
Miss E. F. Mason.	Mrs. Elizabeth F. Parker.
Mr. James J. Roche.	Mr. Charles P. Searle.
Mrs. Sarah H. Williamson.	Mr. Frank Wood.

A copy of their report is submitted herewith.

A detailed account of the work of the Departments of Cataloguing, of Publications, and of Printing, is contained in the Librarian's report. The Trustees believe that the publications of the Library, especially the Bulletins and Special Bibliographical lists, contain much not merely of temporary, but of permanent value, and they believe also that the mechanical execution of these publications is highly creditable. The account of the work of the Catalogue Department

reports the progress of the department, and the Trustees ask attention to it, as well as to the special reports of the Chief of the Department.

The Library has suffered by the deaths and resignations of some of those employed in its service.

The most conspicuous loss was occasioned by the death of Mr. Arthur Mason Knapp, who was twenty-four years in its service, and for twenty years the custodian of Bates Hall. His experience, ability and fidelity were universally acknowledged, and possessed an added charm by reason of his agreeable personal traits.

His successor is Mr. Oscar A. Bierstadt, who brings from the Astor Library in New York an experience which should well fit him for similar duties here.

In conclusion, the Trustees report that they believe that, with the facilities furnished by the recent expenditures, the Library, as a building, meets as well as possible the public needs. The graded system of service and appointment now for several years established secures fidelity, interest and a sense of permanence on the part of those employed. The Trustees believe that the Library not merely supplies a valuable school of instruction to those resident within the limits of the city, but secures for Boston a wide reputation for a liberal and wise public expenditure, of which it may well be proud.

FREDERICK O. PRINCE,
President.

SOLOMON LINCOLN,
Vice-President.

JOSIAH H. BENTON, JR.

HENRY P. BOWDITCH.

JAMES DE NORMANDIE.

Adopted May 1, 1899, as of February 1, 1899.

Attest:

JAMES DE NORMANDIE, *Clerk Pro Tem.*

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Trustees :

I have the honor to submit my report for the year ending January 31, 1899.

The library system has been augmented during the year only by the establishment of one additional delivery station (Station U, established December 27, 1898). But a new department of work has been created at the Central Library (the Department of Documents and Statistics), and the scope of existing departments has, in certain cases, been enlarged. Four additional schools and one branch post office have been made deposit stations. To the only delivery station lacking a deposit collection at the beginning of the year this feature has now been added. So that the outlying system now comprises :

Ten branches, with large permanent collections of books.

Five reading-rooms, all of them also delivery and deposit stations, and one, Station P, having also an independent permanent collection of books.

Thirteen delivery stations, all also deposit stations.

Twenty-two engine-houses and one post office receiving books regularly on deposit.

Four public schools (two high and two grammar) receiving deposits.

One public school — a delivery station.

Five public institutions receiving deposits.

A total of sixty-one outlying agencies, as against fifty-seven on February 1, 1898.

The recent alterations at the Central Library building were not designed to provide for additional departments of work so much as to enlarge the facilities of existing departments. They have, nevertheless, secured accommodations for the new department of Documents and Statistics ; and in freeing the Lecture Hall have reopened opportunity for a service to the public not hitherto fairly entered upon by the Library.

FINANCE.

In General. — The Auditor's statement (Appendix I. of this report) shows in detail the receipts and expenditures of the Library during the year. Included, as heretofore, is a comparison of the expenditures from the general appropriation with those of preceding years. This table begins

naturally with the year 1895, for with that year, and the re-organization of the Library in the new building, a new scale of expenditures was entered upon. The comparison is item by item, except as certain items have been divided under a new classification adopted in consultation with the City Auditor during the past year.

The business of the Library increases progressively, though in irregular progression, from year to year. Tested by one statistic alone — the number of card holders (64,973, February 1, 1898, 72,005, February 1, 1899) — the increase during the past year has been 10 per cent.; taking the departments as a whole, and including departments (such as the Statistical) newly created, an estimate of 10 per cent. as an average increase in volume of work done would not be excessive.

The cost of service in 1898 exceeded that in 1897 by over \$8,000 (an increase of 6 per cent.); that of cleaning increased \$2,000; and expenditure for repairs, and for furniture and fixtures (requisite in connection with alterations at the Central Library and Branches), exceeded that for 1897 by some \$8,000.

A reference to the Auditor's statement will show that the total expenditure from the city appropriation in 1898 (\$246,855.87) was nevertheless practically no greater than in 1897 (\$246,541.79).

The estimated cost of maintaining the Library during the year as submitted to the City Government in December, 1897) was		\$263,401 88
The amount granted (general appropriation) was but		\$245,000 00
Appropriated later for Statistical Department by transfer		1,498 98
Balance from 1897		356 89
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which amount represented estimated expenditure to be avoided if the department was to come through the year without a deficit.

The expenditure was avoided, and the department has come through the year without a deficit. But it has done so only by reducing the purchase and rebinding of books below a proper and economical level, and by omitting purchases of fuel, stock and supplies usually made toward the end of the fiscal year. The cost of these latter is to draw heavily upon the appropriation for 1899 at the very beginning of the new

fiscal year. The estimates for 1899 have, therefore, sought to provide for arrearage of purchase in several directions, and in part for the great arrearage in binding (particularly explained below), as well as for necessary increase of the payroll under the graded service system.

The total amount requested for 1899 was \$287,059.

The amount appropriated, however, is but \$255,000.

It is to be observed that two sources of income available prior to 1898 were cut off at the beginning of that year. One was rentals from the Old Library building, the other was receipts from fines and sales of Library publications.

The rentals yielded in 1895	.	.	.	.	.	\$3,101 98
" 1896	.	.	.	.	.	5,749 00
" 1897	.	.	.	.	.	8,600 00
" 1898	.	.	.	.	.	10,000 00
The fines and sales in 1895	.	.	.	.	.	3,560 91
" 1896	.	.	.	.	.	4,177 41
" 1897	.	.	.	.	.	5,091 74
" 1898	.	.	.	.	.	5,552 32

The appropriation bill of 1898 provided that all such revenue of the department should be turned in to the general income account of the city. It is no longer specially available for this department.

While, therefore, the general appropriation for 1898 exceeded that for 1897 by \$10,000, the actual income of the Library applicable to general purposes was in 1898 (excluding balances) nearly \$2,000 less than in 1897.

The sale of the Old Library estate would in any event put an end to revenue from rentals. The receipts from fines and from sales represent, however, a continuing contribution by the department to the general income of the city. It is to be remarked that the gross receipts which the Library is required to turn over make no deduction for expense incurred by the Library in collection (of fines) and cost of production (of material sold). The cost to the Library of collecting \$4,800 of fines is over \$1,500. The cost of producing the publications sold is far in excess of the gross receipts from sale.

Prior to 1898 receipts from such petty income were used temporarily to meet petty current expenses and book bills less than \$10, payable by the Library Auditor, an adjustment being made monthly. By an order approved March 3, 1898, the City Council authorized the transfer to the Library of a lump sum of \$1,500, to be used for such purposes, the amount being charged to the appropriation of the department,

and a final adjustment with the appropriation being had before the close of the fiscal year.

The sum of \$1,498.98, noted above, was transferred by the Mayor from the Reserve Fund to cover the expense for a *fraction* of the year of the Statistical Department, established in July, 1898. Two thousand five hundred dollars was authorized, but only \$1,498.98 proved to be necessary.

With each year of its development the Library requires a larger sum for its maintenance.

The increase in the aggregate only keeps pace with the growth of population of the city,¹ and with the increase in the volume of work which the department is called upon to do. In these respects the Public Library is on no different basis from the Public Schools. It also is not a single isolated institution within rigid limits, but is a *system* attempting to respond to the needs of a city fast growing in population and in needs. It also, by its own very growth, creates a new demand, and the needs to which it responds not merely grow in volume, but develop continually in character. It cannot remain stationary: if it does not advance and expand it must degenerate.

Permanent Improvements. — A most important contribution on the part of the City of Boston was the sum of \$100,000, to be expended "upon the new Library building and the fittings thereof."

Of the total sum of \$100,000, \$13,654.85 was required for work already done and paid for by advance from the original building appropriation. This left \$86,345.15 available for the work undertaken since May, 1898. This work, when completed, will have exhausted the entire amount.

Endowments. — One further endowment has recently become effective. This is a gift of a principal sum of \$2,852.41, contributed by relatives and friends of the late Henry Sargent Codman, to form a memorial fund. The income will be used in the purchase of books upon landscape gardening — a designation most appropriate, as the gift is to the memory of a landscape architect of achievement and great promise.

With this fund the endowments of the Library aggregate but \$270,000. Of this \$50,000 is the Todd Newspaper Fund. The total of endowments the income of which is applicable to the purchase of books is but \$220,000. The

¹ The increase as between 1894 and succeeding years is, of course, disproportionate, 1895 being the first year in the new building, and involving a different scale of activities and expenditure.

income of this is but a little over \$9,000 per year. Under necessary reinvestment at lower rates of interest this income is steadily diminishing.

The appropriations granted by the city each year do not and can not cover more than the general maintenance expenses of the Library and the purchase of the more popular books. The reference departments of the Library, the departments that are to make it a great reference library for scholars, can be built up only by private gift. The sum of \$9,000 per annum is painfully insufficient. At most it enables the Library to keep up with essential current publications. But when, from time to time, important special collections are thrown upon the market to be competed for, the Library is helpless. Its competitors have great emergency funds which they can apply at will to just such purposes. It has none. Each year it practically exhausts its income in ordinary expenditure.

In consequence it has constantly the mortification of abstaining wholly from competition or, if it venture a bid upon a few items peculiarly within its province, of being outbid by other institutions.

There is a general impression among the citizens of Boston that the general and even development of the Library is amply assured by endowment and appropriation. This is an error which ought by every means to be corrected. On its popular side the Library is developing normally. The scholarly side is *not* developing in proper proportion. On this side the Library is relatively losing rank. It will not, cannot, regain this rank until the citizens of Boston come to its aid with further endowment.

For convenient reference I summarize here certain portions of the Auditor's Exhibit, as (for 1897) on pp. 10-12 of my report of last year.

GROSS INCOME AND EXPENDITURE.

Gross Income. — The gross income of the Library from all sources, including balances February 1, 1898, except special appropriations, was as follows:

General appropriation	\$245,000 00	
Transfer	1,498 98	
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		\$246,498 98
Rentals from Old Library building: balance February 1, 1898		356 89
		<hr/>
<i>Carried forward.</i>		\$246,855 87

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$246,855 87
Trust funds: income received from City Treasurer,	¹ 16,174 67
Miscellaneous donations for purchase of books, including balance of Todd Fund	960 88
Exchange account	1,371 78
Interest on bank deposit	1,600 61
London accounts: balance February 1, 1898, as follows:	
Trust funds	\$14,628 19
General book funds	12,646 67
Interest on above	771 57
	<hr/> 28,046 43
	<hr/> \$295,010 24
<i>Expenditure.</i> — From general income	\$246,855 87
From exchange account (money refunded)	13 39
From trust funds income (includes Todd Fund)	13,674 11
From general book funds	3,980 14
From miscellaneous gifts, including balance of Todd Fund	656 53
	<hr/> \$264,580 04

A nominal balance on February 1, 1899, would appear as \$30,430.20. This is, however, subject to outstanding obligations, and in part to special restrictions. The available balance is but \$21,835.40, made up as follows:

Applicable to photographs	\$42 21
Applicable to books, as follows:	
Trust funds income: nominal balance	\$17,376 38
Less outstanding orders and necessary reserve for continuations	6,101 67
	<hr/> \$11,274 71
General book funds	\$9,790 47
Less outstanding orders	2,493 33
	<hr/> 7,297 14
	<hr/> \$18,571 85
Exchange account	1,358 59
Interest: domestic account	1,600 61
Cash donations: balances on hand	262 14
	<hr/> 21,793 19
	<hr/> \$21,835 40

¹ The actual income collected by him during the year was but \$11,306.67.

It is to be observed further that the bulk of the above available balance is composed of funds applicable only to the purchase of books, and to a great extent of funds which must be reserved for the purchase of books of a very special character, *e.g.*, the Charlotte Harris Fund — balance \$3,818.18 — restricted to the purchase of books published prior to 1850.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Those with apparent existing balances are the Building appropriation (construction of Copley Square building), Furnishing appropriation (Copley Square building), and the appropriation for Improvement of the Broadway Extension Delivery Station. The Auditor's exhibit shows:

Building Appropriation. — Nominal balance uncertified February 1, 1898 \$76,430 62
New loan (May 27, 1898) 100,000 00

\$176,430 62

Expenditures, 1898 66,314 62

Nominal balance \$110,116 00

Against which are contracts and outstanding orders amounting to . \$105,685 24

And claims amounting to 8,085 61

113,770 85

Indicating a deficit of \$3,654 85

to be met by application of the balance of the Furnishing appropriation so far as necessary.

Furnishing Appropriation. — Balance February 1, 1898 \$15,730 01

Expenditures, 1898-99 2,393 80

Balance February 1, 1899 \$13,336 21

Against which are contracts outstanding for 6,399 87

Balance \$6,936 34

which is likely to be fully exhausted as above and by work already projected.

Broadway Extension Improvement Appropriation.

Balance February 1, 1898 \$3,989 56

Expenditures, 1898-99 532 68

Balance \$3,456 88

BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT.

CENTRAL LIBRARY.

It seems well to insert here a brief summary of the alterations and improvements effected with the special appropriation granted in May last.

The only additional space gained has been in the enclosure of the Boylston-street driveway. This secured an addition of some 33,000 cubic feet to the space available for practical active use. But in enabling the current newspapers to be removed from the Lecture Hall it freed over 143,000 cubic feet of space, which may be available for other uses.

Adaptation of space to different uses has, however, altered considerably the location or boundaries of certain departments. The floor plans published in last year's report are therefore reproduced in this year's, with the alterations incorporated.

The work done prior to May, 1898, but chargeable to the special appropriation of \$100,000, was chiefly upon the heating and ventilating system: a third engine, additional radiating surface, etc. In July was entered upon the scheme of improvement in the system recommended by Prof. S. H. Woodbridge, as the result of his examination and tests of the preceding winter. The work actually done has considerably exceeded the recommendations made by him at that time, new necessities developing as the work itself progressed. In brief, the more important features have been: the substitution of a 10-foot for the 18-foot intake fan in the basement, and of an exhaust fan of different design and efficiency for that under the roof; the substitution of steam for hot-water coils, to raise the temperature of the air drawn in from the court-yard to be forced up through the ducts; the installation of special ventilating fans in the engine-room (incidentally serving to dry out storage space under the platforms), in the public lavatories and elsewhere; more ample provision by new or unused ducts for the ventilation of rooms (as the periodical room), whose ventilation was clearly inadequate; and, of course, such changes in and additions to the system as were necessitated by the recent structural alterations.

With the additional or improved fans several additional electric motors were necessary, including a 20-horse power motor for the intake fan. The sanitation of the public lavatories required certain changes in the plumbing.

Unusually high tides had developed leaks in the main ventilating duct under the engine-room. Water forced up

through these leaks formed stagnant pools from which offensive odors were carried up to the main reading-room, so that the duct vitiated the very atmosphere it was designed to purify. The portion of the duct under the engine-room has been lifted out of reach of tide-water, secured by solid concrete against possible contact, and reconstructed throughout.

The full result of these various alterations is not yet apparent, for some of the new apparatus (*e.g.*, the intake fan itself) is not yet in operation. But that the essential improvements sought will have been secured there can be no doubt. The new intake fan, smaller as it is, at high speed discharges through the ducts 60,000 to 75,000 cubic feet of air a minute, as against 30,000 to 45,000 cubic feet discharged by the old. This air is now sufficiently heated to contribute positively to the temperature of each room, as well as to its ventilation. The ventilation of the public lavatories, which had been matter of great concern and much unsuccessful experiment, is now perfect. And the changes throughout appear certain to accomplish the ends sought.

The cost of these (over \$12,000) has been so great as to diminish materially the amount of the appropriation available for the miscellaneous work. The more significant of this may be summarized (I omit details and changes — as new doorways, etc. — merely incidental) as follows:

Increase and rearrangement of space for readers and for administration, additional machinery and administrative equipment and furniture.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR READERS.

I. Inner Periodical Room.

The Boylston-street driveway has been enclosed to form with the adjacent room, an inner periodical room. The present periodical room, on the north-east corner, first floor, has been enlarged by the removal of a partition, and has become the newspaper room. The use of the periodicals and newspapers, which is allied, will thus be provided for in three large rooms conveniently *en suite*. The room recently occupied by the newspapers has been released for other uses, and the newspapers are now in a room directly accessible from the main vestibule, not necessitating, as heretofore, the transit of a third of the building.

The readers of periodicals, moreover, will be exempted from the jarring of the light and power engines.

II. Children's Room — Patent Room.

The present Children's Room has been relieved of the registration desk, which has been removed to the Delivery Room. The children's department has been augmented by the addition of the room adjacent to it, formerly the Patent Room. This is to be fitted up as a general reference reading-room, with a good reference library, including maps, photographs, etc., useful to children in their school work. In the gallery of this room will be a kindergarten library for teachers, augmented from the present collection.

The collection of drawings and specifications of patents has been removed to a room in the west wing, reached from the court-yard, and from the Special Libraries' floor. This room has been enlarged and provided with galleries, and corresponds to Stacks 4, 5 and 6. Besides the collection of patents it will provide in part for the work of the Statistical Department, recently established, being directly adjacent to the collection of documents on the Special Libraries' floor. It has also been connected with the bound volume Newspaper Room, containing the most important of the files of newspapers.

ADMINISTRATION.

I. Delivery Room.

On the Blagden-street side (south wing) the Librarian's office, adjacent to the Abbey room, has been thrown into the old tube-room, so called, from which books are issued from the stacks. The space for the issue of books has thus been doubled. With it the delivery counter has been doubled and provides now distinct divisions for the return and for the issue of books. The registration desk, formerly in the Children's Room, has also been provided for at this point: an essential, as its work is intimately connected with that of the Delivery Department, and its remoteness from that department hitherto has forced the public to traverse the whole width of the building for needs that properly should be treated together. The old system of pneumatic tubes, involving fifty-six stations in the building, has been overhauled, and new and improved terminals substituted. The twenty-eight terminals in the Delivery Room, formerly stretching in a line, have been grouped in a circle for more convenient operation. In addition, an auxiliary system of improved tubes (operating by suction, instead of by pressure) has been installed, which not merely connects the Delivery Room with each one of the six stacks and with the Special Libraries' floor, but connects every stack with every other stack, so that slips may be sent from stack to stack without

being returned to the Delivery Room. An apparatus has been installed in the Delivery Room, itself novel to library use. This is a "pick-up carrier," so called. Its purpose is to transport the various slips between four points in the Delivery Room doing business with one another,—the issue and return desks, the record trays, and the pneumatic terminals. The "carrier" is a cable railway operated by electricity. At fixed points at intervals upon the cable are carriers, which, as they reach a station, pick up a batch of slips awaiting their arrival, carry them forward and deposit them at such succeeding station as may be their destination. The carrier is not a box, but is more in the nature of a hand, which clasps the batch of slips by closing of the thumb and middle finger, and releases them automatically by the opening of these two.

The automatic precision with which this work is carried on is remarkable. The convenience of the apparatus for such use is that it keeps the flow of application slips practically continuous, whereas, when transferred by hand, they can be transferred only in batches, at intervals, to the disadvantage of any slip that may be undermost.

II. Executive and Other Rooms.

A new set of rooms has been created for the Librarian and the Executive Department generally, consisting of an ante-room, main office, private office, and a room for records and files. This suite of rooms has been connected with the Trustees' Room through a lobby formerly open to Blagden street, so that the whole series of rooms representing the general administration is now in proper relation *en suite*. This lobby will contain the Chamberlain Collection of autographs.

The Librarian's office is still, however, very conveniently accessible to the public, being reached directly from the Delivery Room by a corridor left open on the Blagden-street side.

The new administrative offices occupy a part of Stack 5 on the Blagden-street side. Part of Stack 1 and of Stack 2 have also been equipped for administrative uses. In Stack 2, space has been fitted up for the work of the Branch Division, so called. This is the department at the Central Library having to do with the responsibility of the general administration of the outlying departments of the Library system, which includes the 28 Branches and Delivery Stations, and the work connected with the issue of books to 23 engine-houses, certain of the reformatory institutions, and various schools. This division also deals with the applications from these outlying departments for books at the Central Library,

and the delivery of these books. Within the past four years the circulation of books from the Central Library, through the outlying departments, has greatly increased. In addition to the circulation of books upon specific application, there are now also deposit collections to be provided for. The enlargement of the old work, together with these new undertakings, has necessitated the organization of a considerable department, the head of which is the Supervisor of Branches. The space assigned to the work of the Branch Division, when the new building was opened, was but 216 sq. ft.; the space now provided for it in Stacks 1 and 2 is 1,766 sq. ft. In Stack 1 is a shipping-room, where all the books enter, and from which they are despatched. It is reached from a window on the sidewalk directly accessible to the library wagons. In Stack 2 is the provision for the administrative and clerical work, with shelving for the collection of books drawn upon more specially for deposit use.

The adaptation of portions of Stacks 2 and 5 for administrative purposes has necessitated enlargement of the whole series of windows on the Blagden-street side, at these levels, from 2 ft. 3 in. to 4 ft. 10 in. in width.

The stacks from the basement to the Special Libraries' floor have been connected at the south-westerly corner by a staircase. Intercommunication between the stacks has also been secured by the auxiliary pneumatic tube system, above indicated, and by the electric book-lift, mentioned below.

The Ordering Department.—This room has been more than doubled in size by the addition to it of corridor and other space. It has also been greatly improved as to light, and forms now a most admirable space for the business of securing and receiving books, and preparing them for the Catalogue and Shelf Departments.

On this wing also have been arranged offices for the Chief Janitor (formerly in the main vestibule) and for the Custodian of Stock, so called, the official who has the responsibility of purchasing the two hundred odd articles, from pencils to towels, in current use, and the duty of distributing them to the several departments upon requisition provided by the Librarian; and who has also the custody and distribution of library forms and publications.

Stock Room.—In the basement a large space has been fitted up as a stock room for the storage of these articles, and of library forms and publications.

Duplicate Room.—Adjacent to the Stock Room is space fitted up with shelving for the Duplicate Room, where duplicates not needed for Library use may be sorted and arranged for exchange, distribution and sale. Additional storage space

has been cleared, and is to be fitted up in the basement on the Blagden-street wing to the west of the service stairway.

Two electric elevators have been installed in this wing, one a passenger and freight elevator for service use, with a capacity of 1,500 lbs., at 150 ft. a minute. This has been installed in the centre of the service staircase, which has been more or less remodelled for the purpose. The fact that this elevator has 12 landings within a lift of 59 ft., indicates the business that it will be called upon to do. The second lift is an electric book-lift, traversing the stacks and reaching the Special Libraries' floor, which carries only small lots of books, and is operated by the attendant despatching the load; that is to say, it carries no attendant, but may be called to any point and despatched from it by the pressure of a button. When being loaded at any point it is automatically exempt from call to any other point.

Editor's Room, Luncheon Rooms, etc. — In the Entresol (A), south side, have been provided an office for the Editor of Library Publications, an office for the use (jointly) of the Chief of the Issue and of the Chief of the Ordering Departments, and luncheon and additional locker-rooms for employees of both sexes.

The alterations above described represent only the main features of the work on the building accomplished during the past eight months. Details incidental to the main work were, of course, many, and in a measure costly. As in the case of the heating and ventilating system, the total work actually done has exceeded by a hundred per cent. the work originally planned. Its total cost has nevertheless been kept within the fraction (\$70,000) of the appropriation available for it. This has been possible through the ingenuity, skill and exceeding watchfulness of the architects, and through the competence, care and exceeding integrity of the general contractors. For such work as was to be undertaken precise specifications were impossible. The architects recommended that a competent contractor be selected, without competition, and the work done by and under him, by the day, with a commission upon actual cost. The Mayor, under advice of his consulting architect, assented to this. As a result the work has not merely been careful, thorough and appropriate, but has, I believe, cost the city less by thousands of dollars than if carried on in any other way, and it has been done with the utmost consideration for the convenience of the public and of the administration. It was so arranged that it did not for a single day necessitate absolute cessation of the service in any department.

The very considerable amount of furniture and fixtures necessary to the equipment of the new or enlarged departments has been provided for out of the balance of the Library Building Furnishing appropriation.

Repairs incidental to the alterations, or convenient at the time, — including a great deal of painting (catalogue and periodical rooms, stacks, corridors, etc.), — have been paid for out of the general appropriation. Considerable repairs reported to be necessary upon the roof have been deferred until the coming summer.

The cleaning of building and books during and since the alterations has involved a specially heavy expense, also met by the general appropriation. Every volume of the half-million odd in the Central building has, within the past two months, been taken down and dusted, and the shelf wiped off beneath it.

The improvements above described do not, indeed, absolutely perfect the building for present uses. The issue of books from the stacks for reference readers, and the issue for borrowers, are still together dependent upon one set of attendants, one system of mechanism and one channel of issue. The books required from the stacks by the reference reader in Bates Hall must still be forwarded to him from the issue desk by hand, through a public room at times crowded with sightseers. And, ample as is the general space provided for readers, and sufficient (for a few years) as is the shelving, there is very great need of rooms set off for special collections for the use of classes and for specialized research. But most embarrassing difficulties have been overcome, and the most pressing needs of the moment have been met; and what has been done will add greatly to the comfort of the public, and greatly to convenience in administration.

I have treated these alterations at the Central Library building somewhat fully — to the necessary condensation of those portions of my report touching routine — for the very reason that they were out of the routine, and formed the most significant episode of the year.

BRANCHES.

No new structure has been erected for any of the outlying departments. For certain alterations effected — particularly at the Brighton Branch — I refer to the report to me of the Supervisor of Branches, an extract from which I append to mine.

It is obvious that library facilities are distributed very unequally throughout the city, and that such as exist are

ill-proportioned to existing needs. One district has the benefit of a collection of books numbering 35,000 volumes, in an independent building, ample, well equipped and attractive; another, with perhaps double the population to be served, and more remote from the main collection, has at its disposal but a third as many books (a third in number—hardly a fifth in efficiency), and for accommodations, meagre, ill-ventilated, inconvenient and uninviting rooms, in a building devoted mainly to other and inconsistent uses, in a neighborhood tending to demoralize its readers. Such contrasts exist. New departments may be established, deficient facilities be supplied, only by considerable expenditure and laborious effort applied in detail. The effort to improve the material facilities and the service in existing departments (as indicated in the Supervisor's report) is now earnest, and will be persistent. But the present deficiencies cannot be supplied without a large direct expenditure upon new buildings (in certain districts), and alterations, repairs, books and equipment in others. The outlying departments cannot be brought to reasonable equality or into reasonable relation with the Central Library without an expenditure on buildings and books of at least \$500,000.

A supreme advantage would be the application of such a sum all at once under a general scheme of improvement.

WORKS OF ART.

Chantrey's Scott.—A copy in marble (by John Hutchinson, R.S.A.) of the bust of Sir Walter Scott, by Chantrey, has been received as a gift to the City of Boston from the Committee on the Scott Memorial in Westminster Abbey. The bust is a duplicate of that placed in Westminster as a result of contributions from both sides of the Atlantic. The correspondence with reference to it will be found in the appendix. It awaits formal presentation to the public before receiving a permanent location.

BOOKS.

Appendices II.-V. give the extent of the Library by years, a summary of the contents of the Library on January 31, 1899, the net increase of the several departments during the past ten years, and the classification of the material in the Central Library¹ on January 31, 1899.

According to last year's report, it appears that the number of volumes in the Central Library and branches on January 31, 1898, was 698,888, of which 528,079 were in the Central

¹ Owing to the reclassification of the branch libraries, recently begun, but not completed, classification of these collections has been omitted in this year's report.

Library. By the tables appended to this report it appears that on January 31, 1899, the number in all departments is 716,050, of which 550,822 are in the Central Library. The net increase is thus 17,162 volumes. The net gain to the Central Library is 22,743 volumes. The gain to the branches by accession is more than offset by considerable transfers to the Central Library of worn-out or unserviceable material, so that the year leaves outlying departments with 5,581 volumes less than at its beginning.

The total expenditure for books and periodicals during the past year was \$34,935.10, as against \$40,351.62 in 1897. This does not include \$1,836.40 expended from the income of the Todd Fund for current newspapers; nor \$488.53 paid for books for Delivery P out of the special appropriation; nor \$732.17 expended by the Fellowes Athenæum for books for the Roxbury Branch.

The expenditure was distributed as follows:

	1897.	1898.	1898.
For Central Library (including deposit collection) . . .	\$20,497 84	\$13,175 51	
For branches . . .	5,303 28	4,021 82	
	<u>\$25,801 12</u>	<u>\$17,197 33</u>	
Trust funds expended for books:			
For Central Library . . .	8,114 74	11,837 71	
	<u>\$33,915 86</u>		\$29,035 04
City money expended for periodicals:			
For Central Library . . .	\$4,766 87	\$4,276 66	
For branches . . .	1,668 89	1,623 40	
	<u>\$6,435 76</u>		5,900 06
			<u>\$34,935 10</u>

The accessions during the past year (as distinguished from the statistic of books actually located, and excluding mere transfers from one department to another) have been as follows:

Added by purchase:			Volumes.		
Central Library	. 10,357	Branches	. 7,970	Total	. 18,327
Added by gift:					
Central Library	. 6,958	Branches	. 185	Total	. 7,143
	<u>17,315</u>		<u>8,155</u>		<u>25,470</u>

As against a total of 33,131 volumes in 1897.

The library of the American Statistical Association will form a considerable accession not included in the above figures. It has been omitted, because the portion of it which is to be retained for our shelves has not yet been divided off exactly from that which is to be used for exchange or other purposes.

PURCHASES.

Among the purchases of the year have been the following:
Americana. — Hylacomylus. "Cosmographiae introductio cum quibusdam geometriae ac astronomiae principiis ad eam rem necessariis. Insuper quattuor Americi Vespucij navigationes." 1507. Colophon. (The suggestion to which we owe our national name is found on the reverse of the fifteenth leaf.)

Smith. "The True Travels, Adventures, and Observations of Captaine John Smith. Together with a continuation of his Generall History of Virginia," etc. London, 1630.

Smith. "A Map of Virginia." With a description of the countrey (sic.), etc. Oxford, 1612.

Hamor, Ralph. "A True Discourse of the Present Estate of Virginia." London, 1615.

Ptolemæus. "Geographia universalis, vetus et nova, complectens Claudii Ptolomæi Alexandrini enarrationis libros VIII. . . . Basileæ apud Henricum Petrum." 1540. (The first edition of Ptolemy by Sebastian Munster.)

Howgill, Francis. "The Popish Inquisition newly erected in New England." London, 1659. (Contains an account of the reception which the Quakers met with in Boston.)

Reeve, John, and Muggleton, Lodowick. "Joyful News from Heaven." London, 1658.

Lawne, Fowler, Sanders and Bulward. "The Profane Schisme of the Brownistes or Separatists." 1612.

Also An indenture given and signed by Edward Tyng and others to the Company of the Waterworks to lay and maintain a conduit "in the street now called Conduit Street" (Union street), and acknowledged before "Jo. Endecott gov." 1656. (This was the beginning of the Boston Water Works.)

Broadsides. — At the Philadelphia sale of the Bancker Collection of broadsides the Library had of necessity to confine its purchases to those of especially local interest. They include:

(1.) Letters from Washington to Gage, and Gage to Washington, relative to the cruel treatment of prisoners. "Phila., September 29th, 1775."

(2.) Bombardment and Burning of Falmouth. "An Express just arrived from General Washington's Camp at Cambridge, Oct. 24, 1775."

(3.) News of the Battle of Bunker Hill. "New York, June 24th, 1775."

(4.) Account of the death of Lord Percy, April 25, 1775.

There may be mentioned also, a highly important historical letter describing in detail the Continental and British defences in and around Boston, by Jesse Lukens, one of the Massachusetts Riflemen, to Jonas Shaw, dated Prospect Hill, September 15, 1775; also a London edition of the Massachusetts Charter, published in 1692, and "The Laws of Maryland made since 1763." Annapolis, 1787.

Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines.—A selected collection of works relating to the geography, languages and history of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, was purchased in Leipzig at a cost of 1,300 marks.

Statistics and Economics.—From Amsterdam were obtained some rather notable files of statistical and economic serials, containing among them a complete set of the Dutch Economist—"De Economist"—1852-1897; papers relating to economical reform, etc.: "Staatsblad der Vereenigde Nederlanden," 1813-1897, a complete set of original editions of the Dutch state papers; "Staatsblad van Nederlandsch-Indie," 1816-1897, the official edition of the state papers of the Dutch East Indies; and "Verzameling der Consulaire berichten en verslagen," etc., 1865-1897, the Dutch Consular reports.

Maps.—The most important purchase of maps has been the collection "Hydrographie française," containing the official sea-charts of the French Navy Department, and consisting of more than 1,400 maps brought together from 1845-58. There were also bought and mounted for the new map cabinet, two sets of Stanford's maps of Europe, Asia, Africa, Australasia and North and South America, and an additional set of United States post-route maps for the same purpose. Another purchase bearing on the subject is:

"Abel Janszoon Tasman's Journal of his discovery of Van Dieman's Land and New Zealand in 1642. With photolithographic fac-similes of the original manuscript . . . and fac-similes of original maps. Amsterdam, 1898."

The geographical serials have been strengthened by the purchase of a set of the Italian periodical, "Cosmos," edited by G. Coro, and the "Deutsche geographische Blätter."

Other purchases of interest bought with the Trust funds are: Thirty volumes of the Bampton lectures, including the first issued in 1780 (the set is now but six volumes short); the Index to the London Times, and some 700 unmounted Photographs which include a selection illustrating the French school of painting, and Northern Schools in French Galleries, Northern Schools in the National Gallery, and in Berlin, Munich and Vienna; late photographs of the Italian school, besides Sewall's "Canterbury Pilgrims," and a number of Copley prints.

Reference Books for Children's Room.—From the city appropriation has been bought a collection of reference books for the Children's room, for which the sum of \$1,500 was allowed. Besides the encyclopædias, dictionaries and atlases, the collection includes the large illustrated editions of Duruy's History of Greece, and of Rome, Guizot's History of England, and of France, Rambaud's History of Russia, Green's History of the English People, and Winsor's Narrative and Critical History of America. The Riverside Natural History, Réclus's Earth and Its Inhabitants, the whole series of the Story of the Nations, also Longfellow's Poems of Places, Poole's Index to Periodical Literature, together with the minor reference books, biography, etc., make a useful reference library, for which as far as possible the books have been procured in strong and attractive bindings.

English Prose Fiction.—Sixteen hundred and thirteen volumes of current English prose fiction, representing 180 titles, were bought and placed in the Central Library, Branches and Deposit, at a cost of \$1,492. There were also bought 1,830 volumes to replace those worn out, and 1,900 additional copies of books of which the supply was not in any way adequate to the demand. Fifteen hundred of these were for Deposit use, and included 500 books for younger readers, making in all an aggregate of 5,450 volumes purchased at a cost of \$5,000 (as against \$9,650 in 1897-98).

French and German Literature: Replacements.—The works of Dumas père (literally worn out) have been replaced by a complete set in 300 attractively bound volumes for circulation. There were also replaced some 400 volumes of the more popular French and German authors.

Purchases under the last three heads, with the duplicate copies of books bought for use in connection with the schools, about 200 volumes, the necessary replacement of worn-out books, the books of the day (including a larger proportion than usual of those relating to economics and

statistics), have been made from the money which could be spared from the city appropriation — some \$9,000 less than the amount spent last year. With lessened resources it has been necessary to defer some purchases of fiction, especially for the branches. The outlay for current fiction this year has been nearly \$800 less than last year. While the sum total of expenditure for books and periodicals shows a difference of but \$5,400 less than last year, the amount spent from the city appropriation shows a difference of over \$9,000 less. The purchases from the Trust funds amount to \$4,000 more than in 1897-98, and that this was possible is due to the fact that \$1,500 was drawn from a fund so restricted as to be seldom available, and that a few thousand dollars had accumulated over the annual income.

GIFTS.

As to Works of Art and Endowment, *see supra*.

Gifts of Books. — The number of givers for 1898 is greater by some two hundred than in 1897, and greater by four hundred than in 1896. The full list of givers appears in Appendix XIII. Some of the more important of the gifts of books and manuscripts I note here. They are arranged alphabetically according to their donors.

GIFTS OF ESPECIAL IMPORTANCE, 1898.

From the American Statistical Association, through its Secretary, Davis R. Dewey, its library comprising about 5,000 books and pamphlets. This collection is rich in the issues of the statistical departments of foreign governments, and of state and municipal administrations. A notable feature is also to be found in the many pamphlets on slavery, missions, and local institutions of charities and corrections. (*See letter of gift.*)

From the Boston Browning Society — for the Browning collection — 37 volumes consisting principally of editions of the Brownings' Works, and three photographs.

From Allen A. Brown, Esq., 264 volumes for the Music Collection, including fifty volumes of modern operas (French, German, Italian), and fifty volumes of choruses for male voices.

From the Canadian government, at the instance of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, a full set of the official documents of Canada for the last two years, to be continued by the current issues.

From Prof. Francis W. Chandler, Boston, two folio volumes of "Municipal Architecture in Boston. From designs by Edmund M. Wheelwright." 1898.

From the Earl of Crawford and Balcarres, the "Autotype fac-similes of three Mappemondes" of the sixteenth century, from unique originals drawn at Dieppe in 1536, 1546 and 1550; 48 sheets in an imperial portfolio with a quarto volume of accompanying text, by C. H. Coote. (Bibliotheca Lindesiana. Collations and notes No. 4.) These celebrated maps (1) the Harleian, 1536; (2) Descellier's, 1546; and (3) Descellier's, 1550, are highly interesting in connection with Canada and the explorations of Cartier and Roberval; 100 copies only have been privately printed.

From the same source has also been received "A catalogue of English broadsides in the library of the Earl of Crawford," in a quarto volume, in which are chronologically arranged 1,814 English Broadsides covering a period of nearly 400 years — 1505-1897.

From Messrs. Copeland and Day, eleven volumes — current books of the year published by them.

From the various departments of the French government the Library has received important gifts. Among them are nine volumes of the French patents (Brevets d'invention), to be continued as issued, from the Minister of Commerce, and a set of the "Bulletin de géographie historique et descriptive du Comité des travaux historiques et scientifiques," 1888-98, from the Minister of Public Instruction.

From the family of the late William Lloyd Garrison, through Mr. Francis J. Garrison, the manuscript Letters, "relating to the anti-slavery movement in the United States during the years 1839-42." This collection continues an earlier file covering the years 1830-38, the gift of the Garrison family in 1894.

From the German Patent Office, the continuation of the "Patentschriften" in 4,704 numbers.

From the Committee on Education of the Privy Council, of Great Britain 65 volumes of their Reports, completing the Library file.

From the Patent Office of Great Britain, 131 volumes and 45 numbers.

From Col. Thomas Wentworth Higginson, 105 volumes for the Galatea Collection (established by Col. Higginson in 1895); and in this connection 12 volumes from De Witt Miller, Esq., — all relating to the history of woman.

From His Majesty the King of Italy, two volumes continuing the campaigns of Prince Eugene of Savoy (Campagne del Principe Eugenio di Savoia).

Through the generosity of Mrs. John A. Lewis, the following books were bought at the Deane Sale, and added to the John A. Lewis Collection:

Byles, God Glorious in the scenes of the winter. Sermon. Boston, 1744. Cotton, An Abstract of the Laws of New England. London, 1641. Cotton, The True Constitution of a particular visible Church. London, 1642. Cotton, A letter of Mr. John Cotton's to Mr. Williams. London, 1643. Cotton, Sixteene Questions of Serious and Necessary Consequence, propounded unto Mr. John Cotton, together with his answers to each question. London, 1644. Davenport, J. (Pastor of New Haven), Profession of the faith of that Reverend and worthy Divine, Mr. J. D. London. 1642. Moodey, The Great Sin of Formality in God's Worship. (Boston Lecture.) Boston, 1691. Moodey, Dialogue, containing Questions and Answers, from Judas' Fall, improved. New London, 1768. New England Primer, New York. M. Day. Robinson, A. W., A Justification of Separation from the Church of England. 1639. Robinson, A. W., A Second Manuduction for Mr. Robinson. 1615. Shurtleff, Sermon preach'd at New-Castle in New Hampshire, January 1, 1726, in Commemoration of the Sufferings, etc., of a Company of Mariners ship-wreck'd upon Boon Island Rock. Boston, 1727.

From the Duc de Loubat, Galerie Américaine du Musée d'Ethnographie du Trocadéro, part 2, continuing part 1, received in 1897; also Ignacio Borunda, Clave general de Jeroglificos Americanos. Rome. 1898.

From the Trustees of the Old South Church, for deposit in the Prince Library, a manuscript fragment of the "Annals of New England," consisting of nine leaves in the handwriting of Thomas Prince, containing some matter not found in the published work.

From the Royal Scottish Society of Arts, Edinburgh, a complete set of the Society's Transactions, the continuation to be sent as issued.

From the U. S. Superintendent of Documents, 189 volumes of Government publications. These were selected from a list of duplicates sent by the Superintendent, and filled in the Library files by so many volumes.

From the estate of Kate Field, through her literary executor Miss Lilian Whiting, a collection of between 700 and 800 manuscript letters, — the correspondence of Kate Field, covering a period of nearly forty years — together with a number of photographs, and manuscripts of some of her works. Miss Whiting has thoughtfully given a sum of

money, to be annually renewed, for the preservation and care of this material to be known as the "Kate Field Collection." The work is now in process of mounting and indexing the manuscripts, and they will eventually be bound in volumes similar to those in the Chamberlain Collection.

From His Excellency Governor Wolcott, the "Abstract of the log of the Cristobal Colon from April to July 3, 1898."

From the estate of Prof. Josiah D. Whitney, of Harvard College, fifty books and pamphlets relating to literature, etc., and including some early editions of the Latin classics.

From the Wyclif Society, London, a full set in 21 bound volumes of Wyclif's Latin works.

BINDING.

The work done by the Library bindery during the past year is indicated by the following schedule:

	Vols.
Books bound in Bates Hall binding	8,890
Large daily newspapers	52
Branch newspapers	58
Pamphlets	3,905
Total	<u>12,905</u>
Books repaired	3,877
Catalogues, novels and periodicals stitched into covers, .	1,545
Cards mounted and bordered	2,524
Maps, charts and broadsides mounted on cloth	1,056
Volumes guarded	1,570
Portfolios made	154
Boxes made	76
Blocks made	602
Pads made	6
Pouches made	15
Temporary covers made	855
Sign cards leathered and lettered	10
Library publications folded, stitched, and trimmed	124,284
Library publications folded, sewed, trimmed and covered, .	9,019
Photographs and engravings mounted	3,392
Office desks covered	2
Time on miscellaneous work	42½ days
Time cutting and bundling for the Printing Department. .	48 days

I quote in detail these figures, because they are significant of the various unconventional service which a bindery may render if well equipped, conveniently at hand, and under direct control. As an auxiliary to the Printing Department the Library Bindery is indispensable. During the past year it has been crippled, as have other departments, by illness.

The aggregate volume of work done has, nevertheless, increased over that for 1897. The number of library publications which it has handled (folded, stitched, trimmed, etc.) 58,424 in 1896, and 102,442 in 1897, rose to 133,304 in 1898.

In January, 1899, a wire-stitching machine was purchased which will handle much of the pamphlet work at a saving of labor and expense.

The outside contract work (binding in cheaper form of branch books and old Lower Hall books) has comprised the binding of 9,024 volumes as against 18,929 in 1897. The total cost was \$2,460.28. This was greater per volume than in 1897, owing to the new specifications which call now for neater and more durable material, more thorough sewing and the lettering of titles.

Repair.—The repair of books in the first stages of dilapidation is the work of special attendants in the Issue and Branch departments. It involves each year stitching or pasting, or both, of some 3,000 volumes.

Arrearage.—The output of the Library Bindery, above detailed, represents no more than is necessary to cover (1) the binding of material received in paper covers, (2) the binding of the 1,500 odd current periodicals of the twelve-month as made up into quarterly, half-yearly, or yearly volumes, and (3) the rebinding of books worn in the current use of the year. If the allowance for this latter seem large, one need only consider the normal wear and tear incident to an aggregate "circulation" and "reference use" of over two million bound volumes a year; and consider further that the stress of this use, so far from being distributed evenly, falls chiefly upon 150,000, perhaps, of the 700,000 volumes in the library system. An estimate of 15,000 of these volumes as annually needing rebinding is an allowance of but ten per cent. of the portion of the Library in most active use, but $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. of the entire collection, and but $\frac{7}{10}$ of one per cent. upon the use.

In addition to the current work there is, however, a very great number of books scattered through the main collection whose condition demands the attention of the binder. The meagreness of space in the Old Library Building during the later years of occupancy, and the meagreness of the appropriations, caused postponement upon these. The handling incident to removal and relocation has by no means improved their condition, and now there is scarcely a shelf—there is certainly not an alcove—in the new building which does not contain volumes with at least signatures or plates loose,

or backs broken. In the aggregate these must number thousands of volumes. They cannot be denied to the public, but their use in their present condition may (and does) result in their absolute destruction, or the loss of essential portions, necessitating the replacement of the entire volume. Some cannot be replaced; others could be replaced only at great cost; none could be replaced as cheaply as they could be rebound. To neglect them now because of the expense of rebinding is deliberately to project the far greater expense of repurchase.

With its present force and equipment the Library Bindery is so little able to keep up with the current work assigned to it that no given volume can be depended upon to come through in less than three months (four weeks, rather, being a proper maximum). With its present appropriations the Library cannot afford to place out to be done by contract more than the books of the Branch and old Lower Hall collections, representing the current wear upon the more popular departments of literature.

The great accumulation, therefore, representing the arrearage of past years, can be provided for only by some extra provision; and the character of the work is such that the expedient provision would be to enlarge the force, equipment, and resources of the Library Bindery.

This need was called to the attention of the city government in your message transmitting your estimates for the coming year, "a special expenditure of at least \$30,000" being stated as necessary on this account alone. The estimates themselves assumed that of this amount at least \$10,000 should be applied in 1899.

The appropriation granted does not, of course, cover this item.

PRINTING.

The output of the Printing Department still includes all the printed work of the Library except the Annual Report. The figures of output during 1898 of the leading items may be summarized as follows:

Cards for the Card Catalogues — Central Library: 18,114 titles, as against about 15,000 in 1897. The number of *cards* may be judged from the fact that 120,903 have been inserted in the catalogues, as against 93,783 in 1897.

Cards for the catalogues at the Branches, 544 titles.

Stationery, Forms, etc.: currently consumed stocks of all kinds, 521,539 pieces (363,507 in 1897).

Call slips (of six kinds), 2,222,514 pieces.

Placards, 2,014 (1,394 in 1897).

Books and pamphlets to the number of 27, embracing 846 pages, in editions aggregating 129,250 copies. (For a particular list of these see under "Publications," *infra*.)

Service.—The force of the department remains as last year.

Plant.—“In the main the mechanical equipment of the department remains unchanged. During the summer the room was substantially floored with hard pine (upon concrete foundation) to protect the machinery from the injurious dust arising from the former cement floor. Upon the reërection of the plant, which was moved to permit of this, each machine not already so equipped was fitted with an independent electric motor. This change has proved beneficial in preventing the mutual interference of the different machines, which had before been experienced. The necessary gas and electric connections were laid below the new floor, and so arranged as to allow of addition to the plant of a third linotype. The room has been connected with the melting furnace in the basement by a hand-hoist. A similar hoist is needed to connect it with the stock-room in the staircase hall above.”

The addition to the force of a second “feeder” and a third linotype operator and to the plant of a third linotype machine will deserve early consideration. One of the present machines having to be devoted to special work, the remaining one does not suffice for the card catalogue work; and the titles for the catalogue are delayed beyond the time when the new books should and may be ready for the public.

In the meantime the estimates for 1899 provided for the addition to the present machines of certain recent devices which would increase their range, flexibility and output. But the appropriation granted may not admit of the purchase of these.

CATALOGUING.

I shall offer to be printed as a supplement to this report two special reports compiled by the Chief of the Catalogue Department at request: one a memorandum concerning the genesis and scope of the general Card Catalogue of the Library, the other a memorandum concerning the practicability of a catalogue in book form of the entire library. The latter was suggested by a passage in the report of the Examining Committee of last year urging the advantages of such a catalogue. As such a recommendation is apt to recur from time to time, a somewhat detailed statement of the elements involved in such an undertaking has been thought advisable.

I condense here the report of the chief cataloguing undertakings of the past year.

Number of volumes and parts of volumes catalogued . 47,615

Divided as follows :

Additions to the Central Library . . .	29,271	
Recatalogued in revision work . . .	9,070	
Continuations of serials . . .	3,358	
Catalogued for branch libraries . . .	5,916	
		47,615
Author titles prepared for the above . . .	32,609	
Cards placed in the various catalogues, 1898 (exclusive of branches) . . .	120,903	
1897 (including branches for three months) . . .	98,783	
1896 (including branches) . . .	74,979	
1895 " " . . .	82,993	

In addition to the work on the card catalogues the time of the department is, of course, occupied largely with the preparation of material for the Bulletins, and Special Bibliographical lists issued by the Library. Of such undertakings mentioned in last year's report the following have been carried forward into 1898: The Select List of Books on Social Reform; the Bibliography of the Geographical Anthropology of Europe; the List of Pictures and Plans of Library Buildings, and the List of Historical Fiction. The status of the latter list is as follows: America, and Europe (excepting Rome, Italy and Greece) are in type (225 pages) in stereotype plates (having appeared in sections in the Quarterly Bulletins). The titles for Rome, Italy, Greece, Asia, Africa, Australasia and the Hawaiian Islands are prepared and ready for final revision. (An author index for America, Great Britain and Spain, and a Subject Index for America and a part of England are prepared, in manuscript.) The remainder, which includes the Jews and the Bible, is partly finished.

The list should be completed and (if the funds permit) printed, during the coming year.

Besides the work to be inferred from the list of publications below, the Catalogue Department has prepared or assisted in the preparation of: A new edition of the Selected List of Books for Younger Readers ("Y List"); a Bibliography of the Town of Boston (begun in the February, 1898, Bulletin); List of Scandinavian Literature (Bulletin); List of Polish Literature (Bulletin); Memorandum (by Mr. Murdoch) as to the Geographical Material in the Library (Bulletin); a brief list of books upon the Philippines, Cuba and the West Indies; reference lists to be used in connection with the Municipal Free Lecture Courses ("Imperialism,"

etc.), and others, with the lectures on art given by the Supervisor of Drawing in the Public Schools, these latter lists being printed by the Supervisor with the syllabus of the course. The department was utilized also in the preparation of the catalogue of the Library of the Massachusetts Hospital Ship "Bay State," the contribution to which by the Public Library (irrespective of some contributions of money by individual employees) consisted in the selection and purchase of the books, their preparation for use, including shelf lists, and the preparation and printing of the catalogue.

The Catalogue Department has continued its work upon the Maps and the Allen A. Brown Collection of Music, and the transcript of titles of scientific literature in adjacent libraries; and has borne its share in the Co-operative Index of Current Scientific serials, mention of which was made on page 33 of my last report.

The Custodian of Bates Hall had, just prior to his death, nearly completed a revised edition, covering over 4,000 titles, of the Genealogies and Town Histories in the Library.

PUBLICATIONS.

The publications issued during the year, as tabulated by the editor, Mr. Swift, are as follows:

	Date of Publication.	Pages.	Edition.	Price.
Annual List . . .	January, 1, 1899,	176	5,000	.05
Four Great Documents (Chamberlain) . . .	May, 1898,	56	2,000	Free.
Branch Finding List, . . .	May, 1898,	16	5,000	"
Galatea Catalogue . . .	June, 1898,	40	1,064	.15
Social Reform . . .	July, 1898,	72	1,500	.05
Y List (new edition), . . .	July, 1898,	68	8,000	.01
Codman Collection (Landscape Architecture.) List on Trees and Forestry, . . .	January, 1899,	32	500	.10
Monthly Bulletins: 1st of each month.				
March, 1898		56	7,500	Free.
April, 1898		24	"	"
May, 1898		56	"	"
June, 1898		56	"	"
July, 1898		28	"	"
August, 1898		28	"	"
September, 1898		24	"	"
October, 1898		32	"	"
November, 1898		36	"	"
December, 1898		24	"	"
January, 1899		28	"	"
February, 1899		36	"	"

The character and scope of the publications of the year is perhaps sufficiently to be inferred from their titles. So far as they indicate a present policy the policy may be summarized as follows:

1. To place before the public a description sufficiently full for identification, not exhaustive to the point of tediousness, of the books *newly added* to the various departments of the Library. To do this at short intervals, in a form reducing cost to a minimum. (The Monthly Bulletins of accessions to the Central Library; the Finding Lists of accessions to the Branches. *Free.*)

2. At intervals to regroup such information so as to compact the sources of information covering longer periods. (The Annual List—a consolidation, without recomposition, of the Monthly Bulletins of the preceding twelve-month.)

3. As occasion may suggest, to exhibit the resources of the Library in an entire department of literature, or at least its resources upon a particular topic; but with caution to avoid such elaboration as might delay the publication of the list beyond the useful occasion, or put its cost beyond the ordinary reach, or bury the titles of use to the general reader beneath those of interest only to the specialist. (Select List of Books upon Social Reform; Trees and Forestry; Philippines, Cuba and Porto Rico; Art Topics.) Such aids need not always consist of lists of books; they may often advantageously take the form of a statement suggesting lines or methods of research. (Memorandum upon Geographical Material.)

4. (More rarely) to issue a real Bibliography, thorough and scholarly, of a subject peculiarly of interest to scholars. Especially to undertake such in case (1) the co-operation of some specialist may be secured in the "evaluation" of the material and (2) the department of literature is one in which the Library is strong or takes this occasion to become so; the bibliography becoming thus a subject catalogue. (Bibliography of the Geographical Anthropology of Europe—made up of material contributed by Prof. Wm. Z. Ripley, and reduced to bibliography form and specific application by the Library, and printed and to be published by it.)

- (5.) As opportunity may occur to publish the catalogue of some special collection which has recently come to the Library by gift. (The Galatea; the Codman Memorial Collection.) This may well be justified even if the collection be not integral as to subject.

It is to be noticed that in the foregoing list one class of publishing enterprise not uncommon, nor untried in this

Library in former years, fails to be represented; the reproduction, in fac-simile or otherwise, of unique manuscript material of which the Library may have become the owner. Whether and how far it is the duty of the Library to aid scholarship by the publication of such, — how far its publication at all is expedient, — whether the Library should itself undertake such publication or simply encourage outsiders to undertake it; these are questions of policy that may necessitate careful deliberation and comparison of experience.

REGISTRATION.

Statistics of registration form, as usual, Appendix VI. of this report. As last year, the tables show not merely the number of card holders in gross, but their classification by sex, occupation and district of residence, and an estimate of the percentage of card holders in each ward of the city to the total population of such ward.

The interest of such statistics is as by comparison they may form an index to the existing relations of the public with the Library and to the influence upon these of certain forces.

In the aggregate the number of card holders (64,973 on February 1, 1898, 72,005 on January 31, 1899) has increased during the year by 7,032, or $10\frac{8}{10}\%$ per cent. The proportion of existing card holders to the *total* population of the city (including minors below 12 years of age not entitled to cards) 13 per cent. on February 1, 1898, is now $14\frac{2}{10}\%$ per cent.

As will be seen by the tables, the increase has been distributed pretty evenly over the city, except that it has been (proportionally) nearly three times as great in Ward 10 as in any other ward.

The classification of the card holders shows a fairly even division by sex. This is usual in the United States, but not so abroad. At Birmingham in 1895-96 the number of cards issued to borrowers was in the proportion of 32 males to 12 females; in 1896-97 as 28 to 12.

The classification by occupation reveals only 702 card holders who have described themselves as "laborers." This is somewhat curiously in contrast with the considerable known use by this class of the reading-rooms at the Central Library and Branches. It represents, however, what I fancy to be a common experience in public libraries, both here and abroad. At Liverpool in 1897, for instance, in a total of 24,353 card holders in the Public Library, only 322 were

classified as "labourers." The adult laborer is rendered shy by conscious clumsiness. He overcomes his diffidence so far as to frequent the reading-rooms of a public library (if inviting and informal); but he shrinks from the formalities and betrayals incident to application for books for use at home. He reads many library books at home, however, or hears them read; for sometimes his wife holds a card, and commonly his son or daughter does. The books that interest his children are apt to interest him—for though of unequal ages, the child and the father of the laboring classes in America are by no means necessarily far apart in their capacity of appreciation. In planning a children's department of a public library one of the contingencies to be foreseen is, therefore, that any particular book may reach beyond the child to an adult.

An essential difficulty in the comparison of statistics of card holders in different libraries is caused by the difference in the registration period. Inquiry has shown that very few libraries can state with precision the number of "active cards outstanding."

The system now in operation here considers this statistic of essential importance. The registration period is now to coincide with the period of life of a card. A new registration will begin February 1, 1899; and at every second year thereafter either a new registration or a new numerical series.

USE OF THE LIBRARY.

I. — Reference Use.

I propose to append as supplements to this report statements somewhat full of the work or of certain of the aspects of the work of three particular departments (the Special Libraries, the Children's, and the newly organized Statistical Department). The reference work of the Library in general does not seem to have varied from that of last year sufficiently to require extensive mention.

Special Libraries.—The collections now grouped and administered under this title comprise now: The Fine Arts, the Industrial Arts and Music, the Maps, the Adams, Artz, Barton, Bowditch, Codman, Galatea, Gilbert, Hunt, Lewis, Prince, with other early Americana, Thayer, Ticknor, Twentieth Regiment (military alcove), Whitman—in the aggregate about 69,000 volumes. The public documents still hold place on this floor, but their custody has been transferred to the Statistical Department under Mr. Ford.

The activity of the Fine Arts Collection has continued incessant; and it is upon this division of the work of his department that I shall quote at length from the report of the custodian.

Appended to his report is a list of the artists at present represented in the collection of photographs; a list of the books (146 volumes) containing elaborate plates whose contents have been indexed on cards, so as to become almost as accessible as the individual photographs; and the scheme adopted for the classification of the typical examples (in plates) of the fine arts, architectural detail and of the industrial arts which have been secured in part by the dissection of certain serials. The main purpose of the collection last named is to offer to the actual worker in the arts and crafts practical suggestion from historical example.

These appendices I omit here. They will be included with other material in a special publication which will form a hand-book to the Fine Arts Collection in the Library and an aid to its use.

This is a library and not an art museum. The illustrations which it may supply of the various arts do not pretend in themselves to be works of art. The most of the photographs, for instance, are but small silver prints, not the large carbons which alone could meet the requirement of an art museum. Its purpose in its plates and photographs is more particularly to furnish an *index* to the arts — an index suggestive to the eye but not necessarily satisfying. It seeks to cover the largest possible field. For this reason, the individual item must cost little. It desires to offer the material to be handled freely and informally in connection with all sorts of inquiry from people not trained to care or dexterity in its use, and even to extend its use outside the Library building. For these reasons each specimen should be small in dimension, portable, and replaceable at small expense. For such service, therefore, not merely silver prints, but half-tone and other process reproductions may be and are utilized.

As will be seen from the report of the Chief of the Department, these photographs and plates are being used to an increasing extent by classes and schools, and for display (in subject groups) in the outlying departments of the Library. The demand for such use is eager. At present it can be met only meagrely, because, although the collection is nominally large, any one subject is perhaps found but once in it. With funds with which to multiply *copies*, portfolios of these photographs and prints (in subject groups) might be circulated throughout the city, in the Branch libraries, in public

institutions, in the schools, public and private, at the meeting places of study clubs, and at lecture halls, in connection with lectures having educational purpose. A few hundreds of dollars would accomplish much; a few thousand would enable us to create a *system*, secondary only in volume to the work of the books, and auxiliary to it in service.

Children's Department. — The addition to the space at the Central Library hitherto available for this department, of the large adjacent room formerly occupied by the patent collection, will furnish opportunity for a service as yet not satisfactorily accomplished — that in aid of the children's work at the schools. For this reason, I have asked the chief of the department to incorporate in her report a somewhat full statement as to the relations existing between the Library and the work of the schools; and it is this section of her report which I select to quote as a supplement to mine.

The Department of Documents and Statistics. — In June last the American Statistical Association turned over to us the collection of books, pamphlets and serials which it had accumulated by gift, purchase and exchange, and which formed its "library." The collection as a whole numbered about 5,000 books and pamphlets. Of these a large part duplicates material already here; but this will be available for exchange and thus finally represent an accession. Future acquisitions by the Association are likewise to be turned over to us, so that the collection will continue to have the benefit of the purchases of the Association and of its exchange list. As our custodian of the collection is corresponding secretary of the Association, and thus entitled to use its name and prestige in application for material, the future accessions are likely to be important.

The material of statistics (vital, economic, political, social and industrial) is of course largely in documents. A statistical department, therefore, naturally includes the important public documents in the Library. But if it is to be set off as a department integral in itself, a department equipped for seminar work, for instance, it must include as well much sociological material of a miscellaneous character.

Such a department had not existed in this Library, nor had the Library paralleled in the domain of economics the work for which it had gained reputation in history, general literature and the arts. Its collection of public documents, though uneven and with many deficiencies, is, nevertheless, a notable one, and with effort might be made a full one; the miscellaneous material which it possesses in the general domain of economics is sufficient to justify an expenditure

which will render it reasonably complete, and the acquisition of the library and of the future exchanges of the American Statistical Association offered a special opportunity and occasion.

It was accordingly decided to organize this new department, which, although for brevity entitled the "Statistical," has, in fact, the custody of the documents also, and is to bring into useful relation with this material the miscellaneous literature of economics and of political and social science. Its charge will be to endeavor, by correspondence and otherwise, to perfect the collections themselves; to classify the material with reference to the convenience of the particular constituency which is to use it (ignoring, if necessary, any and all schemes of arrangement, notation and cataloguing existing in other departments), and to administer it in the aid of inquiry. The department is not to compile statistics. Its function is to guide in the use of them. It must know the sources, and it must know them *discriminatingly*. In perhaps no department of literature is the untrained inquirer more helpless. The facts are submerged in documents vast in dimension and forbidding in aspect. The practice of libraries seldom extends to an analysis in the catalogues of the main contents, and the indices are apt to be only to single volumes, and on no single scale of proportion. Such facts as he finds may after all be no more than incompetent inferences from insufficient data, or only partial, or later superseded.

In any reference department of a library a very small proportion of the inquiry is for a given book; the most of it is for the best material upon a given subject. But a small proportion of the inquirers are experts in the subject; a smaller proportion still are experts in the use of the Library. If familiar with the language of the subject they are still unfamiliar with the language of the catalogues and other bibliographic aids. Their demands must be translated; and they may be translated adequately only by one who knows both languages, — who has been a practical expert in the subject and has become an expert in the mechanism of the library.

If this is so in general, it must particularly be so in a department such as statistics, where a given subject may be approached from so many different points of view, where pretence is easy and voluble and carries no ear marks to distinguish it from real authority, and where the apparent absence of technicality in the vernacular is itself a peril.

The foregoing considerations explain sufficiently the desire of the Library to place in charge of this department a practical

statistician; and its gratification that there could be secured for its organization and present conduct one of the first of living statisticians. Mr. Ford coming to the Library after his experience as Chief of the Bureau of Statistics at Washington, brought also a useful knowledge of the most effective methods of obtaining the material itself, requiring familiarity with official usage and not merely patient, but dexterous application, supported by precedents.

Mr. Ford entered the service of the Library on July 15th. His work has, therefore, covered less than seven months. I have, however, requested him to include in his report a brief statement as to the proper scope and functions of a department such as this. This report I append as a supplement to mine.

II. — *Home Use.*

Appendix VII. gives the number of volumes circulated for home use during the past year from each department of the Library, and compares this with such circulation for the year 1897.

The reduction in the number of new books (especially of lighter literature) purchased in 1898, the inconvenience of application at the Central Library during the several months of the alterations (when, though the issue continued it was much impeded and delays were excessive) would have tended to reduce the circulation. In certain departments it was actually, and in others relatively, smaller than in 1897. In the aggregate, however, it was greater than in 1897, but not by an increase proportional to that of 1897 over 1896.

HOME USE.	1897.	1898.	Gain. 1898.
Central Library (including Central Library books issued through branches and stations)	388,489	422,849	34,360
Branches and Stations (di- rect issue)	811,169	822,993	11,824
	<hr/> 1,199,658	<hr/> 1,245,842	<hr/> 46,184

The insertion of card pockets in the books circulated for home use was begun during the past season. It may lead ultimately to a change in the charging system to the advantage both of the borrower and of the record.

The period during which the penalty on books over detained was allowed to run had been three months. An examination into the usage of other libraries showed that this

period was exceptional in length; the amount of the penalty appeared to operate unduly against the poorer class of readers and in being too great to be collected, to operate also to the disadvantage of the Library. On April 29th the period was reduced from three months to four weeks. The accumulated penalties (fines and messenger notices) at the end of the former period amounted on any given book to \$3.33; at the end of the latter to \$1.09; the cost of the book (if not finally returned) being added in either case.

BRANCHES AND STATIONS.

Under present conditions and without special expenditure the development of the outlying departments of the Library can be but gradual and partial. There is none the less reason for applying effort at improvement in the many details that may be improved without great outlay. If, therefore, the report of the Supervisor is chiefly a recital of petty changes, — a bit of plumbing here, a new fixture there, — a few score more books on open shelves, — an additional attendant, an enlargement of hours — it is to be remembered that sweeping changes not being at present possible, it is only upon these petty items that zeal for improvement may be expended.

The regrading of the Custodians of the Branches effected at the close of the year implies a higher recognition of their present responsibilities and an additional requirement.

I have felt obliged to omit the greater portion of the Supervisor's report, and shall append only a condensation of the statistics and certain sections which deal with work of larger aspect.

It will be noted that Mr. Hiller C. Wellman did not retire from the Supervisorship until May last; so that the responsibility of the present Supervisor, Mr. Ward, covers but a fraction of the Library year.

The most significant of the undertakings of the year has been the reclassification of the books upon a single system, with relative (instead of fixed) location, and identical notation; and the issue of a Finding List of recent accessions classified, located and numbered on this system, so that any copy of the list is equally a catalogue of these titles at any one of the ten branches. The work of reclassification is but begun. Hand in hand with it goes the work of weeding out the old or unserviceable books and of supplying fresh ones.

Assume the branches to be completely reorganized in this way, — their collections reduced to lowest terms and then

rebuilt to a common standard, classified alike and catalogued in common: and the basis will have been laid for a future development which may be simple, uniform and economical.

SERVICE.

The Library has suffered serious loss by death. Most serious indeed was the loss of Arthur Mason Knapp, for twenty-four years in its service, and for the last twenty years its chief reference librarian as Custodian of Bates Hall. Mr. Knapp's accumulated experience in the work of this position, to which he devoted himself with absolute concentration, stood for an asset of exceeding value. Rather than minute here too briefly the record of his career and service, I append to be printed the notice published in the Bulletin after his death, and passages from the address of the Rev. Dr. James De Normandie (who as a member of the Library Board spoke with particular knowledge) at the funeral services.

The war took from the Library two employees, of whom one is still in the field, the other — Michael Francis Leonard — died in the hospital on his return from Santiago.

Among the resignations has been that of Hiller C. Wellman, Supervisor of Branches. Mr. Wellman came to this position from the Athenæum Library in December, 1896; he left it to take the office of Librarian of the Brookline Public Library in May, 1898. In the meantime he had devoted active, earnest and intelligent service to the reorganization of the outlying library system.

The accessions to the service have brought notable capacity. Mr. Oscar A. Bierstadt,¹ who comes to take the place of Mr. Knapp as Custodian of Bates Hall, brings an experience of more than twenty years in the Astor Library, the latter part of which stood as an experience most nearly akin to that of Mr. Knapp, in a library most nearly akin to the Boston Public Library (in this department).

Mr. Langdon L. Ward, who succeeded Mr. Wellman as Supervisor of Branches, was not directly imported into that position, but was promoted to it because of work (in a subordinate department of the Branch system) so excellent as, with other obvious qualifications, to promise success in administering larger interests.

The acquisition of Mr. Worthington C. Ford for the organization of the Statistical Department has already been commented upon. In addition to his special knowledge in the

¹ Mr. Bierstadt does not begin his duties until February 1, 1899.

domain of statistics, finance and economic science generally, his knowledge of the sources of American history is of value to the Library in its purchases of Americana.

In the ordinary service the usual number of changes has occurred. The Library has lost by death or resignation in all nineteen persons; it has acquired in all thirty-four.¹ The latter figure includes all persons who have entered the service whether or not continued permanently. Of these thirty were in office at the end of the year.

Examinations.—Five general and ten special examinations were held during the year. Of the general two were for Grade B, one for Grade C, and two for Grade E. Of the special, five were of employees qualifying for promotion (to Grade B special, one; Grade C special, two; Grade C, one; Grade E, one); the remaining five were of outside applicants (to fill vacancies for which the lists returned by the general examinations did not seem adequately to provide). Of these latter special examinations one was for Grade B; three were for D special; one for E.

In all 236 papers were received and considered—of which 67 were from male applicants, 169 from female. Of the thirty-four persons taken into the service twenty-three were male, eleven female, and the assignment as follows:

Grades.	Central.	Branches.
B	3	1
D Special		4
D	5	3
E	5	1
Ungraded ¹	8	4
	<hr/> 21	<hr/> 13

It would be ungracious to make no mention of the volunteer aid that is constantly offered to the Library and sometimes accepted. The most of it desires to be anonymous, and a great deal of it is necessarily so. During the past three years one service in particular has been rendered by outsiders, which has been of very great usefulness. A committee numbering (at any one time) from fifteen to twenty persons (all residents of the city, and thus far all women) has undertaken to read every work of current fiction (in English), under consideration for purchase, and to report to the Librarian in writing certain information regarding it. The information requested is in chief: is the book suitable for child, or for adult? is it historical, or purely romantic? narrative, or

¹ Including appointments to positions not subject to formal examination (Supervisor of Branches, Custodian of Bates Hall, etc.). Also janitorial appointments.

does it deal with some contemporary social problem? if historical, what period of history does it depict? its merits and defects: as to accuracy (if historical), temper (if touching social problems), apparent sincerity (if treating religious problems), morality and style; and an outline of the plot sufficient to render intelligible the information above described.

Every new work of fiction (in English) is read and thus reported upon independently by two persons; if their reports disagree, by a third. The labors of the Committee may be appreciated from the fact that during the past year (a normal one) 548 books were read by it, and reported upon in writing.

These reports are of the greatest service to the administration of the Library, and have been made use of by other institutions or boards having the responsibility of selecting from the mass of current publications, but unable to examine each book in detail. And the labors of the Committee would have received appreciative mention before this, but that its function is so liable to be misunderstood.

It is *not*—an outside body, without official responsibility—substituted for the administration. It does not *select* books for the Library; it merely furnishes information by which the books may more efficiently be selected by the Librarian and Trustees. It indicates also an opinion whether, on the whole, the book is worthy. But this opinion does not finally control. It is an element in the decision, but no more. And the final decision, for acceptance or rejection, frequently runs counter to it.

The Committee is not a body of experts; it is composed of persons selected at large, sufficiently numerous to represent at any one time different points of view. Its *personnel* changes constantly, in order that the variety of view may be still greater, and that merely methodical and routine judgment may be avoided. The purpose (so far as it concerns the mere opinion desired) being to secure the average instinctive judgment of the general public, the committee is not furnished by the administration with any standards of criticism; indeed, its requests for such standards have regularly been denied.

Of the 600 works of current English fiction received during the year, less than a third (with necessary duplication of copies) could be purchased. That of the 180 purchased last year it may be said that not one was placed on the shelves without having been read and reported upon by at least two persons, indicates a service by the Committee sufficiently deserving of gratitude. That to the selection of

these 180 titles out of the 548 the Committee contributed information of great usefulness, indicates a service of even larger measure. I feel that to the members of the Committee, and especially to its permanent chairman, Miss Mary Morison, an appreciation on the part of the Library is due which ought not further to be suppressed.

All the departments have been more or less embarrassed during the year by illness, and upon some has fallen the special strain incident to the structural alterations. This was, of course, heaviest upon the Issue Department, which was for a long period deprived of the full use of the pneumatic tubes and other apparatus, and cut off from its ordinary passageway to the stacks, and was obliged to carry the ordinary burden of work in a space contracted, noisy, draughty and dusty, and confused with carpenters, masons and painters. But there is no department at the Central Library which was not in some way or measure inconvenienced. The Ordering Department, for instance, was for weeks deprived of its room entirely, and crowded into a small, ill-lighted space in the Entresol. Even the Catalogue and Shelf Departments, though remote from the centre of operations, suffered much embarrassment during their course. The Shelf Department, for example, has had the special burden (in addition to its routine work) of moving and relocating (without the use of lifts) more than 300,000 volumes affected by the changes.

The strain (especially upon the attendants in the Issue Department) has been exceedingly severe. That they suffered from it I know. But so far as I know they did not (by a single peevish expression) let the public suffer from it. Not a single complaint came to me that the service was too arduous; not a suggestion that the work ought to be suspended even for a single day. I am, however, so wonted to this spirit of unselfish earnestness among the employees of the Library, and their eagerness to do all in their power to secure the best results, that it is only by an effort that I can regard or mention this recent manifestation of it as significant.

HERBERT PUTNAM,

Librarian.

FEBRUARY, 1, 1899.

SUPPLEMENTS TO THE REPORT OF THE
LIBRARIAN.

(A.)

MEMORANDUM AS TO THE GENERAL CARD CATALOGUE.

To the Librarian :

The Card Catalogue of the Boston Public Library was begun in 1871. At that time the titles of books under authors and subjects in the first Catalogue of Bates Hall (the Index, 1861) and its First Supplement (1866) and the Prince Catalogue were cut from those volumes, pasted on cards and made a part of the Public Card Catalogue. The Bulletins also, which contained the record of the additions to the Library, from September 1, 1867, to 1871, were treated in the same manner. The titles in the various Lists for the Lower Hall (now Stack 4) were made a part of the Public Card Catalogue for that collection.

From 1871 on, the printed titles of all books received by the Library (including the Ticknor collection) have been added day by day to the Card Catalogues. An exception was made in the case of the Barton collection, for three reasons: 1. The collection was kept by itself at a distance from Bates Hall, in a room where no attendant was stationed. 2. The works of great rarity and value in the collection it was thought best not to bring forward into prominence. Persons entitled to use them could find them through the catalogue printed in a volume. 3. On the other hand, the works of less value, such as modern editions of Shakespeare, were largely duplicated in the general collection, more easily attainable, and preferably to be used to the saving of the rarer editions.

THE OFFICERS' CATALOGUE.

The second Card Catalogue, kept in the Catalogue Room, from 1871 on, is in the main a duplicate of the one for the use of the public. Its basis was the collection of titles in manuscript for books received after the publication of the First Supplement to the Bates Hall Index, which titles it was

intended to use as printers' copy for a Second Supplement. These additions, so far as they covered newly-published books and others of especial interest, were printed in the Bulletins, and, as already stated, these selected printed titles were added to the Public Card Catalogue.

The Index, the Supplement and the Prince Catalogue were not cut and added to the Officers' Catalogue, because at that time it was thought that any information needed by the Library staff could be found readily in the catalogues in printed volumes.

It may be inferred that after the work mentioned on the Public Card Catalogue was finished, readers had at hand a fairly representative inventory of the books in this Library. This was the case so far as the titles of these books had been put into type. The Index and Supplement, however, did not contain the titles of all the books in the Library; pamphlets, for example, being generally omitted, and subject entries not being given in all cases.¹

It was found on using this new conglomerate catalogue that the titles in small type, cut from the printed catalogues, when placed in drawers under a wire were read with difficulty; they also suffered from wear and tear.

With the growth of the Library it was also found that the titles as hitherto printed were altogether too brief for usefulness, and that it would be necessary to recatalogue and re-print all that represented books received by this Library during the first twenty years of its existence.

It was decided also, for good reasons, to make the Public and Officers' Catalogue exactly alike, each ultimately to contain a record of all the books added to the Library from the beginning.

This work has gone on steadily for twenty-seven years, the cataloguing of former years being brought up to the greatly advanced present standard.

Since moving to the new building a triplicate Card Catalogue has been prepared for the books added to the collections in the Special Libraries' Department. From tests recently made, I think that only a comparatively small number of books in the Library (outside of the Barton collection) will fail to be found in some form in the Bates Hall Card Catalogue.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES L. WHITNEY,

Chief Cataloguer.

¹ Reference is made to an article (B) which follows this memorandum.

(B.)

CONSIDERATIONS AS TO A PRINTED CATALOGUE
IN BOOK FORM.*To the Librarian :*

When the Boston Public Library first occupied the new building on Boylston street two independent libraries were established there: 1. The collection of popular books in the Lower Hall. 2. The more scholarly books in the Bates Hall. For the popular department a Finding List was printed in 1858, which has been followed by Class Lists, in many editions, down to a recent date. For the Bates Hall a List was published in 1861. The title in both was an "Index to the Catalogue," etc., as consisting of brief entries which pointed to a card catalogue, or the books themselves, for fuller particulars.

These Indexes, moreover, contained the titles of a selected portion only of the Library, but few pamphlets, for example, being included, unless written by Boston authors or relating to the affairs of Boston; while subject-entries were not given in many cases, particularly where a publication contained less than one hundred pages—a poor test, as was then allowed, of the value of any production, and particularly so in science.

A First Supplement to this Index, on a like plan, was published in 1866, and it was purposed to follow these Indexes with supplementary ones, to be gathered together at some future time, it was hoped, under one alphabet.

At this time the Library took a great stride forward, the annual additions, which for a few years had averaged 7,500 volumes, increasing to some 25,000 volumes, including special libraries, such as the Prince and Ticknor collections, which were given with the understanding that critical and scholarly catalogues be published.

Mr. Justin Winsor, soon after assuming the office of Superintendent, saw clearly that this great increase was "almost a portent of future unavailing efforts to keep up in print with the growth of the Library," and that it had become "a question of prime importance, with the future so promising for continued growth, whether some change in the method of presenting the record of our accessions to the public will not be absolutely forced upon us."¹

In the meantime, as the nearest approach possible to the catalogue desired, a Bulletin of new accessions was begun

¹ Annual report, 1871.

in 1867, which publication, with changes of form, has continued until the present time. To this, from time to time, have been added catalogues of special subjects in great number.

It is understood that the material supplementary to these catalogues in printed volumes, which was being collected in card form, was intended only for the use of the officers of the Library in preparing a new Index volume. Readers were obliged to examine many catalogues and bulletins, which numbered, in 1871, in both libraries, nearly thirty — a state of things which was felt to be intolerable.

At this time the foundations were laid of a Card Catalogue, intended, under author and subject, to give full entries for all the books in the Library. This involved not only the cataloguing of the new accessions to the Library, but also all the omitted material already alluded to, together with the re-cataloguing of some 175,000 volumes. This work of preparation and revision has gone on steadily since that time, its scope and methods broadening and ramifying with the growth and development of the Library. Since the establishment of the Card Catalogue it may be roughly estimated that 400,000 volumes, pamphlets and parts of volumes, newly added to the Central Library, have been catalogued, and, on an average, 12,000 volumes a year of older material have been revised and recatalogued.¹

A PRINTED VOLUME.

While this work has more than met the anticipations of its projectors and has proved in many respects an ideal catalogue, the question has been asked from time to time by those who have chafed under its requirements and limitations, whether it might not be possible to condense all this material into printed volumes, which could be consulted more readily and used outside the Library building.

To this question the reply of the Trustees has been that owing to the expense involved and to other grave considerations, they were not prepared to enter upon an undertaking so vast and of so uncertain an issue. At least, until the Library should be housed in a new building and all of the necessary changes of shelf-position and shelf-numbers had been made, a printed catalogue, even if possible, would be an unwise project.

Now that this transfer has been made and the changes mentioned are under way how does the case stand? What will the proposed catalogue involve?

¹ From 1832-1897, 191,472 volumes were recatalogued in the work of revision.

I. In the first place the work of revision must be pushed with vigor to the end, the cataloguers being called off from all other special work to receive aid in this undertaking from an extra force to be engaged from outside. The cards for every book must be copied in abbreviated form, compared with each other, and, if not already done, with the cards in the Public Catalogue, with the shelf-lists, and with the book itself, while the subject headings must be submitted to a rigid test as to their correctness and their indication of relationship to the headings of cognate subjects. The catalogue of a great library is a constant development; to its latest and highest requirements all the work of preceding years must be brought. Only when the work is perfected can it be given to the printer. The time needed for this cannot be estimated, but only guessed at from the experience of other large libraries which have printed their catalogues.

II. Supposing that this revision is finished and the card catalogue as it stands now is ready to print, what then?

On June 25, 1898, the Card Catalogue measured 12,523 inches, linear measurement through the thickness of the stock. Reckoning eighty cards to an inch these cards number 1,001,840. Roughly estimated, from numerous tests made, nine-tenths of these cards contain one title each, and one-tenth two or more titles. It might be said that there are 1,200,000 titles (author and subject) in the Public Card Catalogues in the Bates Hall and Delivery Room. This leaves out of account many of the titles in the Ticknor and Barton Catalogues, which it would be desirable to include in condensed form in a general catalogue of this Library.

An estimate may be made in another way. There were in the Central Library, exclusive of the Duplicate Room, on July 1, 1898, about 524,000 volumes, or, deducting special collections, say 500,000 volumes. Reckoning two and one-half entries for each book (an accepted estimate),¹ the number of titles to be printed would be 1,250,000.²

III. The question now arises shall the proposed catalogue be kept up to date; that is, shall the titles of books received while the work is in progress be added, or shall it include only what was in the Library at the time of beginning the work?

For the past seven years the cards placed in the public catalogues in Bates Hall and the Delivery Room have

¹ The Dictionary Catalogue of the Boston Athenæum for the period from 1872-1894 covers 80,000 bound volumes and 5,000 pamphlets, and is estimated to contain 291,840 cards, or nearly three and one-half cards per title.

² In this estimate no account is taken of the number of duplicate copies on these cards, the number of volumes made up of many pamphlets, or the number of works in long sets.

averaged 44,857 a year, or about 150 a day. Since the preparation and printing of these titles in addition to those already in the Library would push forward the publication of the catalogue indefinitely, I will here make only estimates on the collection of books as it now stands.

TIME.

IV. Assuming that these 1,200,000 titles are ready for the printer, how much time will be needed to edit them through the press?

From an examination of numerous catalogues of this and other libraries, I judge that the number of titles to a page would average from forty to fifty, depending on the fulness of the titles given and the style of printing. Calling it the larger number, the catalogue would fill 24,000 pages; if the smaller, 30,000 pages.

The Boston Athenæum catalogue was printed at the rate of 1+ pages a working day; the catalogue of the Library of the Peabody Institute at the rate of less than two pages a day; the Index-Catalogue of the Library of the Surgeon-General's office, United States Army, at the rate of about three and one-third pages a day. Calling the rate of progress for the proposed catalogue five pages a day, the time needed would be in the one case sixteen years, and in the other twenty years.

The catalogue of the Boston Athenæum, work upon which was begun in 1856, was sent to the printer May, 1872. January of that year was taken as the limit beyond which no book should be added. On its completion, therefore, it did not contain the titles of books added to the library for the preceding ten years. To the Index-Catalogue of the library of the Surgeon-General's office, and to the catalogue of the Peabody Institute, the titles of books and articles received during the printing were added, except such as were included in the part of the alphabet already in type.

On the completion of the Index Catalogue enough material had collected in the letter A to fill 828 pages, while in the main work this letter occupied only 718 pages. In the Peabody Institute catalogue this letter occupies 236 pages in the supplement, and only 136 in the main work. This disproportion would doubtless disappear in the later letters of the alphabet, yet it shows that the titles left over on the completion of a catalogue may be as numerous when the work is delayed to insert matter received during its progress through the press as when, receiving no additions, it is put through more rapidly.

USE.

What will be the value and how great the use of a catalogue which does not contain the titles of books added for ten to twenty years previous to its issue?

On the completion of the Boston Athenæum catalogue I examined the books given to readers at the Boston Public Library for some days, and found that seven out of ten had been published less than ten years. Of course such a catalogue would have less and less use from year to year.¹

By recent tests made by Mr. Chevalier, of the Catalogue Department, it appears that of books taken for Home Use on given days 24 per cent. were published before 1883, while 19 per cent. bore date between 1883 and 1888, and 57 per cent. between 1888 and 1898; while of books taken for Hall Use, 37 per cent. were published before 1883, while 24 per cent. were issued between 1883 and 1888, and 39 per cent. between 1888 and 1898. On the completion of the proposed catalogue for this Library it probably would not contain one-fourth of the books called for by readers.

EXTENT.

An opinion as to the number of volumes required for a printed catalogue of this Library may be ventured, based on the experience of other libraries. Six years ago an estimate was made that the titles in the card catalogue of the Upper Hall of the old Library building would fill sixteen and one-half volumes of the size of the Barton catalogue (Miscellaneous part). This estimate apparently took no account of the titles which have long contents, or of the cases where more than one title is on a card, and in my opinion it falls far short of being correct.

The Boston Athenæum catalogue of 92,000 volumes and about 36,000 pamphlets is in five volumes with 3,400 pages. In the five volumes of the Peabody Institute Library the 5,000 pages catalogue a collection of perhaps 100,000 volumes. The Index-Catalogue at Washington in its sixteen volumes, or 16,000 pages, represents a collection somewhat larger, minutely analyzed.

The British Museum catalogue, with author entries only, which approaches completion, thus far fills about 110,000 columns (two to a page, folio size). These columns, if joined

¹ "While the use of the catalogue in print is vastly more convenient than the best in manuscript, and while our printed volumes may be of great advantage in other libraries, and to a few students who possess them, it is very apparent from observation that the great bulk of users of the Bates Hall are in search of the newer books, which cannot be found in the printed catalogues." — *J. Winsor: Superintendent's Report, 1872.*

to one another, would reach more than seventeen miles, — a vivid illustration of the proportions which the catalogue of our own Library will soon reach.

With its half a million volumes and many thousand pamphlets an estimate for the Boston Public Library of a catalogue in thirty volumes of a thousand pages each is probably a moderate one.

COST.

It would be difficult to estimate the cost of preparing a catalogue of this Library for the press and printing it. In 1881 the Examining Committee made a statement, based upon estimates furnished them, that the cost would be nearer \$200,000 than \$100,000. The Catalogue of the Boston Athenæum, in five volumes, is said to have cost nearly \$100,000.¹ Of the Index-Catalogue of the Library of the Surgeon-General's office one volume has been issued yearly at a cost for the printing and binding alone, and not including the cost of preparation, of \$12,000 a volume, or \$216,000 for the eighteen volumes (first and second series) so far issued, in an edition of 1,000 copies. For printing the Catalogue of the British Museum, which was begun January, 1881, an annual grant was assigned which has risen by gradual increments to £3,000 a year.²

SALE.

If a price be set upon the catalogue based upon its cost, or upon the charge for the catalogues of other libraries, but few copies would be sold. Even if a nominal price were named, judging from the experience of the Library, the sale would probably be quite limited.

SPECIAL LISTS.

As already stated, in place of a new general catalogue in a printed volume, the Bulletin was established, which gives ready access to the new additions to the Library.

Moreover, as any subject has come forward into prominence or general interest it has been made the occasion for preparing

¹ This estimate is only an approximate one. (See the reports of the Treasurer.) The Librarian has stated that the cost of printing, paper, binding, etc., was about \$20,000, and that for many years there were from two to eight persons preparing the manuscript for the printer. The compilation of this catalogue was attended with peculiar difficulties (see the Preface), and its cost was greater than might be expected in similar undertakings.

² For the British Museum catalogue the yearly subscription for the parts, which began to appear about 1881, is £3 10s. The selling price of the entire catalogue will be £84. The price of the five volumes of the Peabody Institute catalogue is \$37, and \$11.50 for volumes 1-3 of the second series. The Boston Athenæum catalogue is sold for five dollars a volume, and to libraries at twenty dollars for the entire work. About 350 copies have been sold. The price for the catalogue of the Library of the Surgeon-General's office is \$3.50 a volume; for that of the Bibliothèque Nationale, fifteen francs a volume.

a special catalogue, in which, with the aid offered by specialists, the titles of the most helpful and authoritative works have been gathered. As an example, there may be cited the list of books on social reform, published this year. Such lists as these, drawn from the general catalogue, when the interest of the public on any particular question or department of literature is ardent, are timely and of service, whereas such a topic in a general printed catalogue might at any given moment not have been reached or be a dozen years behind the time.¹

SUPPLEMENTS.

On the completion of this proposed catalogue a million cards will probably have accumulated, necessitating the preparation of the first of many supplements to follow. The Library would then be confronted with the state of things which led its first Superintendent, Mr. Jewett, to affirm that "Nothing short of what a Card Catalogue is in plan can ever be regarded as entirely satisfactory for a great public library,"² and his successor, Mr. Winsor, to agree with the view of European librarians that "printing in a large and rapidly growing library is impracticable."³

PRINTING.

Nothing has been said in regard to the printer's part in the proposed catalogue, for the reason that the other considerations adduced are the vital ones. With the addition of another press and linotype the proposed catalogue could be put in type to keep pace with the supply of matter furnished by the editors.

With the coming of the linotype there was a suggestion that the way might be open for a catalogue of the entire Library in printed volumes, and moreover that by holding the solid lines or "slugs," insertions might be made and the catalogue kept up to date.

In this Library the linotype has been tested in catalogue work to the following extent: In addition to the printing of the titles of accessions for the card catalogue and the special catalogues a Monthly Bulletin has been issued, and at the end of twenty months about two-thirds of this matter has been reprinted, with some changes, from the same slugs, as

¹ The Austrian Library Association, at its meeting held on March 26, of this year, decided to abandon the plan for an Austrian General catalogue, owing to lack of adequate support, but in its place it voted to publish bulletins devoted to library matters. — *Library Journal*, September, 1898.

² Annual Report, 1881.

³ Annual Report, 1872.

an Annual List.¹ Although this is an Author Catalogue, arranged simply by classes, and much less intricate than a Dictionary Catalogue of authors and subjects, many difficulties have been met with in its development. If the attempt should be made to unite the slugs for this Annual List with others for a two-year list or a five-year list, as has been proposed, these difficulties would multiply many fold. To mention one: to the labor of finding the slugs and rearranging them there would be added the constantly increasing necessity for a new grouping. It would probably be more economical to set up the whole list anew. For it is a settled principle that work ought to be perfected before it is sent to the printer; all changes and new arrangements after that are disastrous. The same principle holds good with the linotype. Editorial work must be done elsewhere than in the printer's office, or the linotype room.

With the linotype as up to this time developed, methods which hold good for printing such a publication as the Annual List would cease to be operative in the case of a larger and certainly of a much larger catalogue. The cost of arrangement and editing would be out of all proportion to the increase of titles.

The case as it stands is as stated. Should the linotype ever through the progress of invention overcome its present limitations and effect that which now seems impossible, no one will rejoice more than the maker of catalogues.

SUGGESTIONS.

The Examining Committee for 1886, impressed with the requirements of the Catalogue Department, suggested "that \$100,000 be secured by public grant, private subscription — or by all combined — the income of which should be exclusively devoted in perpetuity, to the Bates Hall Catalogue."

With this sum in hand, it would be worth while to consider whether, if it be impossible to make an elaborate author and subject catalogue, some quicker and less expensive substitute might not be found.

AUTHOR CATALOGUE.

I. An Author Catalogue, that is, one in which entries are given only under authors' names, and not, as in a Dictionary Catalogue, under subjects also, could be prepared with less delay and cost. That of the British Museum has been mentioned. The Bibliothèque Nationale has begun the publication of such a catalogue, of which the first volume

¹ This was followed by a second Annual List, January 1, 1899.

contains, in 565 pages, 11,067 titles, or about one-fourth of the titles of works of authors whose name begins with the letter A.¹

As to the value of an Author Catalogue it should be said that however the case may be in the Bibliothèque Nationale, or in a University Library, in the Boston Public Library an Author Catalogue would be of less value than one under subjects.

One comes to a library to learn one of two things: 1. Whether a certain book is there; or 2. What the library has on a given subject. The first point is settled by an Author Catalogue, and it is the only one settled except the question of the bibliographer, who wishes to learn the exact title of an out of the way book. An answer to the second question is found in a Subject Catalogue.

The scholar, familiar with literature, will seek what he needs in an Author Catalogue. Even here he will obtain more satisfactory results from the Card Catalogue of the Library than from its abbreviated reproduction in book form. The general inquirer, however, as a rule does not know the particular book required, and asks what books are in the Library under a given subject. This question cannot be answered by an Author Catalogue whether in book form or on cards.

The publication of an Author Catalogue for the benefit of all countries may perhaps be justified in the case of the British Museum and the Bibliothèque Nationale, as being national libraries and containing in the largest gatherings of books in the world an approach to a universal collection. The library on this side of the Atlantic most nearly approximating such a collection ought ultimately to be our own National Library. This institution receives copies of every book copyrighted in the United States. Even if it should not attempt to publish a complete catalogue of its collection it is conceivable that an Author Catalogue of at least this portion, representing a complete, authoritative description of all the issues of the American press, might be of sufficient service to bibliography to justify its expense.² It would have the advantage, which Trade Catalogues do not possess, of being a full, precise and scholarly description. Such a work, however, needs to be issued under the authority of one institution only. It does not need to be repeated by other libraries.

¹ The Introduction by M. Dellale is interesting, especially section 15. "*Raisons qui ont fait adopter l'ordre alphabétique pour le Catalogue.*"

² A Catalogue of Authors was begun by the Library of Congress in 1878, but it was continued only through the letter C. Its catalogue of the title entries of books and other articles entered in the office of the Register of Copyright is a publication in the direction indicated.

If each national library would at least undertake such a catalogue for the issues of the press of its country, the publications of the world would be economically recorded. But however proper a work like this might be for a national library, with a collection of copyright material presumably complete, and with the resources of a nation behind it, the Boston Public Library stands in a very different position. It is to an extent a scholars' library; it is also a popular library. It does not contain, and does not wish to contain, more than a fraction of the books published in this country. The bibliographical value of its catalogue in print, therefore, would be limited accordingly, while the material published abroad which it contains, being for the most part duplicated in the British Museum and the Bibliothèque Nationale together, is adequately recorded at their expense in their catalogues.

So much for the scholarly side, the bibliography pure and simple. For the popular service, the Monthly Bulletin and special lists, as they are issued from time to time, are adequate and more to the purpose.

CLASSED LISTS.

II. The titles under authors might be grouped under classes, as in our Monthly Bulletin and Annual List. Such a list of all the books of this Library, however, would need a classification so extensive and indexes so minute that the labor might quite equal that of finishing the preparation and the printing of our Dictionary Catalogue of authors and subjects. The Annual List is only a selection from the Monthly Bulletins, which are themselves only a partial record of the books currently received. From the labor expended on this list (which is without indexes) one can imagine the time needed for the preparation of an indexed list of all the books received by this Library for nearly fifty years.

SELECTED SUBJECTS.

III. Some years ago, in the Boylston street building, when the pressure for space for the Card Catalogue was a matter of concern, a plan was formed to take out certain sections and print them separately. While the work done in this direction has great value, as approaching the subjects treated from a different point of view from our Dictionary Catalogue, and, while it also supplements that work, the Library has never seen the wisdom of substituting these lists for the fuller entries in the Card Catalogue, or breaking up the completeness and continuity of that great work. Still, some such plan may be forced upon us in the future.

CONCLUSION.

I have presented the question of a catalogue in a printed volume for the Boston Public Library succinctly, and I trust fairly, for consideration.

I think that such an undertaking would be unwise. The decision of twenty-six years ago was based on reasons which have gathered strength with the passing of time.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES L. WHITNEY,

Chief Cataloguer.

POSTSCRIPT.

The following statements in the "Quarterly Review" for October, 1898, in regard to the Book Catalogue of the British Museum, supplement the information given in the preceding report. It is there stated that the complete catalogue will consist of about six hundred volumes, containing on an average, 250 columns each. During its progress through the press the accessions to the library have exceeded half a million titles, only a fraction of which will appear in this catalogue. The number of copies available is about 250, but of these less than one-third has passed into circulation, and even of that number about one-half has been given gratuitously. A supplementary catalogue of accessions was printed, which a subscriber could obtain for £3 a year in addition to his subscription of £3, 10s., for the principal catalogue. But this Accessions Catalogue found scarcely any subscribers, and the issue has now been contracted within the narrowest possible limits. The writer adds "The present situation may be summed up in the statement that the Catalogue of the British Museum is almost unknown outside of the Reading Room; that its complete form is found in the Reading Room alone; and that the very few persons who have access to it beyond those precincts possess it in a form which is so incomplete as well-nigh to frustrate the chief reason of its existence."¹

In the magazine "Literature," for January 10, 1899, it is stated that the officials of the Bibliothèque Nationale have been compelled to cease printing their catalogue by reason of the great expense involved. When the work was undertaken it was estimated that the catalogue would occupy some eighty volumes. The first volume cost £1,600, so that the cost of the entire work might be £130,000.

¹ In a circular from the British Museum, dated April 15, 1899, the statement is made that a supplement will be published to include the titles, not yet incorporated, of all works acquired since the commencement of the printing of the catalogue to the end of 1898.

(C.)

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL
LIBRARIES, DEPARTMENT OF FINE ARTS.

To the Librarian :

Five lectures were given during the year :

In the Barton Library.

1898.

February 23. Mrs. Hannah Johnson Carter. On the Art of Ancient Egypt.

March 1. Lecture on Egypt repeated.

In the Fine Arts Room.

April 21. Prof. D. G. Lyon of Harvard College. Assyrian art, life and history. Illustrated by the stereopticon.

November 30. Mrs. Marie Buckman, Secretary of the Egypt Exploration Fund. Art of Ancient Egypt.

1899.

January 31. Mr. C. Howard Walker. Early Greek architecture and ornament.

Photographs, etc., illustrating the lectures were supplied by the Library. The lecturer was secured in each case by the Unity Art Club. It is very desirable that the large Lecture Room be made available for these lectures, as neither the Barton Library nor the Fine Arts Room is adequate.

The collection of photographs now numbers 9,870, of process reproductions, 3,509. Of the photographs, 1,696 have been added during the year at an expense of \$739.63 for purchase, and \$447.68 for mounting. The process pictures are classified and catalogued. The work is continuing on the photographs, less than 25 per cent. of which remain to be taken in hand. There is no doubt that this collection of photographs has not only increased the usefulness of the Fine Arts Department, but has stimulated the study of art among various classes in the community.

The collection of topical examples of objects of industrial art, formed after the pattern of collections in the numerous industrial museums in Europe, with the aid of the information and material gathered by Mr. S. R. Köhler of the Museum of Fine Arts, has been placed in a suitable case, and the arrangement of the plates advances. The collection consists mainly of plates (each example on a single sheet) from periodicals, arranged broadly in classes, such as architectural detail, ornament, plastic arts, furniture, etc. As the collection develops I intend to subdivide by countries, styles, and periods.

The use of the Allen A. Brown Library has noticeably increased since a beginning was made in the printing of the catalogue. Nearly 8,000 cards are now printed, and copy is ready for the printer which represents at least 60,000 more. These it is desirable to hasten, if possible.

The catalogue of about 4,700 cards, covering analytical references to musical works, periodicals, etc., and biographies, has been added during the year. The collection consisting of magazine articles, newspaper clippings, etc., was made by Mr. Brown, and has been bound up in volumes, over fifty of which are now catalogued. By means of this catalogue, in which works of importance are indexed as they appear, current information may be found concerning modern music and musicians. Progress has been made as well in the collecting, arranging, and binding of the series of concert programmes of the Handel and Haydn, Philharmonic, Mendelssohn Quintette Club, Musical Fund, Academy of Music, and other musical and choral organizations in Boston during the past seventy years.

Through the generosity of Mr. Brown the resources of this collection are enlarged systematically by the addition of new publications in music and musical literature. The collection of works for orchestra in full score has been largely increased. Worthy of mention among the more important additions of the year is a collection of part-songs and larger works for whole chorus, bound in fifty-two volumes, and comprising more than 1,200 separate publications.

EXHIBITIONS IN THE FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT, CENTRAL LIBRARY.

1898.		
Feb. 8-14	— Venetian school. Photographs	Barton Library.
Feb. 14-21	— German and Flemish school. Photographs	“ “
Feb. 21-28	— Dutch school. Photographs	“ “
Feb. 28-Mar. 7	— French school. Photographs	Fine Arts Room.
Mar. 7-14	— English and American schools. Photographs	“ “ “
Mar. 14-28	— School-room decoration. Photographs	“ “ “

NOTE.—The above six exhibitions illustrated lectures by Mr. J. F. Hopkins to teachers of the public schools.

- Mar. 21-April 1 — Ancient Egypt. Photographs, colored plates, and books, to illustrate a lecture by Mrs. Hannah Johnson Carter . . . Barton Library.
- Mar. 2-20 — Washington portraits. Loaned by Mr. George R. Barrett . . . “ “
- Mar. 21-April 9 — Decorative paper covers. The Walter M. Rowlands collection, supplemented by contributions from other owners . . . “ “
- April 7-18 — Madonnas of the old and modern schools of painting and sculpture . . . Fine Arts Room.
- April 15-May 10 — Books and broadsides purchased at the Deane and Bancker sales . . . “ “ “
- April 18-May 3 — Assyrian art. Photographs, colored plates, and books, to illustrate a lecture by Prof. D. G. Lyon of Harvard College . . . “ “ “
- April 20 — Greek art. Photographs, etc., in connection with a conference and lecture on Greece, by the Unity Art Club of Dorchester . Barton Library.
- May 3-17 — Industrial arts. Recent accessions, plates, etc. . Fine Arts Room.
- May 10-June 12 — Americus Vesputius. Books, maps, portraits, etc., in commemoration of the centenary . . . “ “ “
- May 17-June 6 — Memorial Day. War photographs, colored plates, battle flags, brigade flags of Massachusetts regiments in the battle of Gettysburg. Loaned by Mr. Charles B. Brooks . . . “ “ “
- June 6-July 12 — English cathedrals, abbeys, castles, university buildings, etc. Photographs . . . “ “ “
- June 12-July 8 — Battle of Bunker Hill. Maps, broadsides, documents, portraits, etc. . . “ “ “
- June 20-Aug. 1 — Edward Burne-Jones. Photographs of the artist's

		works, to commemorate his death on June 17 .	Fine Arts Room.
July 12-Aug. 1	—	Japanese architecture and costume. Photographs .	" " "
July 12-Aug. 19	—	Hawaiian Islands. Photo- graphs, plates, maps, por- traits, etc. Loaned by Hon. Gorham D. Gilman,	" " "
Aug. 1-19	—	Recent municipal architect- ure of Boston. Plates .	" " "
Aug. 1-Oct. 3	—	The typical American, male and female. Photographs of statues made from measurements by Dr. D. A. Sargent .	" " "
Aug. 19-30	—	"Galerie Amér. du Musée d'ethnographie du Troca- déro." Plates. In con- nection with the conven- tion of the American Association for the Ad- vancement of Science .	" " "
Aug. 30-Oct. 3	—	Constantinople; American mural decorations; mural decorations in the Pan- théon, Paris. Photographs,	" " "
Sept. 2-8	—	War with Spain. Pictures cut from periodicals, etc.,	" " "
Oct. 4-17	—	Classic architecture in Italy. Photographs .	" " "
Oct. 17-24	—	Assyrian and Babylonian antiquities. Photographs. In connection with the history course in the Bos- ton High schools .	" " "
Oct. 24-Nov. 17	—	Portraits from the historic schools of painting. Pho- tographs .	" " "
Oct. 26-Nov. 22	—	P. Puvis de Chavannes. Died Oct. 24. Photo- graphs of his work. Cer- tain of them loaned by Mr. F. P. Vinton and Mr. A. H. Munsell .	" " "
Nov. 17-Dec. 5	—	Ancient Egypt. Photo- graphs and colored plates, to illustrate a lecture by Mrs. Marie Buckman .	" " "
Dec. 5-15	—	English country churches. Half-tone pictures .	" " "

Dec. 15-31	— French chateaux. Photographs	Fine Arts Room.
Dec. 19-31	— Madonnas. Photographs.	
Dec. 31-Jan. 10, 1899.	— Paris and Versailles. Photographs	“ “ “
Dec. 31-Jan. 10, 1899.	— Great façades of the world. Photographs	“ “ “
Jan. 14-26	— French cathedrals. Photographs	“ “ “
Jan. 27-Feb. 1	— Greek architecture and ornament. Photographs and colored plates, to illustrate a lecture by Mr. C. Howard Walker	“ “ “

EXHIBITIONS AT THE BRANCH LIBRARIES AND STATIONS.

Collections of process reproductions on the subjects in the following list were exhibited during the year in the ten Branch Libraries, and certain of them in Stations A, D, L, and S: Egypt, Greek sculpture, Rome and Pompeii, Italian architecture, Italian painting, Florentine school, early Renaissance painters, Perugino, Raphael, Michael Angelo, Titian, Madonnas, Venice, Renaissance architecture and sculpture, Spain, Spanish architecture, Northern architecture, French cathedrals, English cathedrals, English country churches, Rembrandt, Dutch school, Italian views, Germany, Holland, Belgium, School decoration, Civil War photographs, and others.

Respectfully submitted,

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(D.)

REPORT OF CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT OF DOCUMENTS AND STATISTICS.

[LIBRARIAN'S NOTE. — As this department had been in existence only eight months, and, as its chief work had so far been an examination of the collections of the Library, the receipt and classification of material from the American Statistical Association, and the initiation of methods of exchange and solicitation, cataloguing, etc., it seemed best that the report submitted by the Chief should be a general statement of functions. The experience of the eight months had shown that his estimate of the character and probable large number of inquiries addressed to the department was likely to be justified in experience.]

To the Librarian:

I have the honor to submit a report from the Statistical Department of this Library. As it will cover an activity of

only six months, and applies to what is practically a new departure in library administration, the results of which are yet to be determined, it will necessarily be brief.

The general plan of this department was to constitute a working laboratory on social topics, where the expert, the student and the general reader might find the material they desire, and, if necessary, advice and guidance in the use of this material. The scheme must, therefore, cover two important divisions of each social question: the theory, as developed by the leading American and European writers; and the application, as recorded in the investigations of government bureaus, corporations, associated charities or individuals. If the entire range of sociology as now understood is to be adequately treated, the department must have collections on political economy in its widest sense, on political science both in theory and in history, and on statistics, which records and generalizes both economics and history.

The Public Library possesses large and valuable collections on economics and history, and an intelligent appreciation of this description of writings is clearly evidenced in the selection. Indeed, it is in some respects one of the best collections of its kind in this country, and it would be difficult to duplicate it within any reasonable time. This great and solid foundation is now being rapidly added to by the purchase of current works, and by securing such as are out of print with every opportunity offered.

As to the third division, statistics, which includes all forms of state activity, the principal subjects to be covered are:

Vital statistics.

Commercial statistics, which comprises the means or agencies of transportation.

Labor statistics, which cannot overlook the statistics of production, whether agricultural or industrial.

Financial statistics, and all questions of banking, currency and taxation.

State and private penal and charitable institutions.

It will be necessary to provide the material for a proper understanding of these subjects both in general and in detail. For the general, reference may be made to the condensed statements of economy issued by each of the leading countries in the form of handbooks or abstracts. I have received, in some cases, full sets of the statistical abstracts of the following countries: United States, United Kingdom, France, Germany, Italy, Belgium, Sweden, Finland, Switzerland, Netherlands, Japan and India. And even where a country is not named

in this list the most essential statistics as to commerce, population, railroads, telegraphs and finance, may be learned from some of the abstracts, like that for "foreign countries," issued by the British government.

These abstracts are, however, too condensed to serve the purposes of the special student, and a vast and ever increasing number of official reports must be obtained for his needs. In the number and scope of these reports no two countries agree. It is safe to say that every leading bureau in a governmental department prepares and prints an annual report, which is supplemented by special reports, and by the labors of legislative commissions. It is often not enough to have the report alone; the debates of the House to which it is submitted are useful or essential. In fact, there is hardly any limit to the issues of this description, and only unremitting vigilance will enable the Library to keep abreast with them in a manner that will satisfy the demands of its readers.

In planning to fulfil the high purposes you designed for this department I have laid down certain broad lines of action that may be briefly summarized:

1. All census returns, whether of the United States or of Asiatic countries, have been sought. Vital statistics have been more fully developed than any other branch of statistical science, and are more frequently called for.

2. In commerce the detailed annual returns of the four leading commercial and industrial nations of the world — the United States, the United Kingdom, France and Germany — hold the first place in importance. Almost as necessary are those of Russia, Japan, China and British India — covering the development of Asiatic trade, now so prominent among the world's problems. Canada and South America are of great interest commercially to the United States, and the trade of colonies and dependencies must prove suggestive in studying the future policy and growth in foreign trade of the United States. Even Africa, with its failures and successes in colonization, and its internal relations affecting the attitude of competing powers to one another, carries lessons that cannot be neglected. I have attempted to secure complete commercial returns of the principal nations, and am meeting with success.

This particular branch will attract, and is attracting the attention of commercial and manufacturing bodies in this region. It is to be regretted that full replies cannot be given to every question, but this regret will become less as the collection of commercial statistics increases. Much assistance towards completing the wants of the department could be

given by commercial bodies, were they to turn over to the Library any works on commerce received and not immediately needed by their own members. The process of collecting and completing this will necessarily be a slow one; but the commercial interests of the port are of such importance that no effort should be spared to keep the records of the world's commerce to date and as full as circumstances will permit.

3. The problems of labor have many phases, no one of which should be passed over lightly. I have recently segregated the reports of the State Bureaus of labor statistics, and of a total issue of more than 300 reports, this department possesses all but about thirty; and even these wants are being made good by way of gift and exchanges. In foreign countries labor is represented in nearly all administrations, and the reports of labor departments or bureaus in Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy and Austria are received in this Library. This promises to constitute one of the most valuable divisions of this department, because of the many questions of daily life or state relations discussed in these reports.

To cover only the state reports on labor would be to pass over one of the most vital aspects of the labor problem, that which is usually described as socialism, but which takes so many forms that no one term will cover them. I am making a specialty of the proceedings of labor congresses, of socialist periodicals, and even of anarchist issues, believing that the statement of grievances and formulation of reforms by the workingmen themselves will be of future value in history and in economics.

4. The next subject is that of finance, and its importance cannot be exaggerated. At a time when all governments are facing deficient revenues and rapidly increasing demands on their treasuries, the discussion of taxation has come to the front and is exercising national as well as local taxing powers. The budgets of each great nation, and the legislative reports and debates on the budget propositions; the great financial institutions, state and private, and the movements in the leading money markets of the world find a place in this department for future reference. No questioner has been turned away unsatisfied in this line of inquiry, and yet much remains to be done towards obtaining the material that is pertinent and timely.

It will not be necessary to dwell upon the value of state and local reports on charities and correction. They record the results of an exercise of functions on the performance

of which the very existence of the state depends. Too close attention cannot be given to this diseased aspect of society, and I have sought for the best products of treatment of social ills at home and abroad.

In pursuing these objects correspondence has been opened with experts and societies in the United States and in foreign countries, with a view to securing early notice of what is published on the various matters falling within this department. The response has been gratifying, and is proving its utility daily. These connections have been facilitated by the deposit in the Public Library of the collections of the American Statistical Association.

The transfer of these collections was not completed until January of this year; but the books and pamphlets, numbering about 5,000, have been arranged, listed, and will be incorporated into the Library as rapidly as time will permit. While there will be some duplication, yet the two collections complement one another in a very satisfactory manner. The Public Library was strong on economic writings of a general character, but weak in the results of economics applied in the administration of government; the Statistical Association was strong on this practical side, but almost wanting in theoretical works. Its most remarkable feature was the series of issues of foreign governments, long since out of print and difficult to obtain. As an example of the disinterested zeal of one man — Dr. Edward Jarvis — the collection is notable; as a foundation on which to build for the future, it is a valuable accession to the Public Library.

Exchanges of duplicate material are now being made, and the Statistical Collection has been able thus to complete many of its deficiencies.

In recognition of this widening interest in public questions, and more especially in the foreign relations of the United States, the advantage of prompt service has been recognized. The best results will be attained by rather anticipating than following public inquiry. With this in view arrangements have been perfected by which the important state papers of the leading governments of Europe are sent to the Library as soon as published, thus saving six weeks or more in the transmitting, by obviating the delay of formal orders from this side. German, French, Belgian and English bills, reports and debates have been brought under this system, which will be extended to other countries having direct or indirect relations with the policy, foreign intercourse or commerce of the United States. With the short trial already made of this system the results have justified the course

taken, and must be better appreciated as the facilities offered to the public become better known. I may mention that the Library, through this means, received early copies of the Treaty (Spanish) papers, the British Blue Book and the French Yellow Book on the Fashoda incident, and the special Parliamentary reports on water gas, petroleum and local taxation, all of which were called for soon after receipt. And that the system must prove of advantage as the public becomes more familiar with the facilities offered is shown by the fact of inquiries being made for documents of foreign governments, a knowledge of which was gained through cable press notices. It was extremely gratifying to be able to promise the document "in a few days," a promise that was fulfilled through the careful attention of the foreign agents of the Library, acting under the general arrangement already described.

In the same line is the method adopted of giving notice to the public of the receipt of important or timely documents. I have been enabled to publish notices in the Library bulletin within ten days after the document listed has reached the Library, without interfering with the regular process of the catalogue department. I believe that so prompt notice cannot but be useful to the public.

This brings me to the relations such a department must bear to the general public. It is not to be denied that there has in late years been an increasing attention paid to economic and political studies. This attention has been made necessary by the ever increasing complexity of our social relations, as well among ourselves as with other peoples. The universities and high schools have special departments for teaching these questions, and the need of a special department in this Library, to contain the works necessary for applying, encouraging and continuing these studies, has been impressed upon the Trustees and Librarian. I need hardly enumerate the subjects lately coming before this city government for some settlement: the expenditures and revenues; the relations to the city of corporations using the streets; questions of public health and safety; and the proper statistical records of municipal activity. In the State, the problem of taxation is ever present, with its perplexing difficulties of assessments and valuation of real and personal property; while the many corporate and state institutions under its control, call for an intelligent regulation as well as a high degree of practical ability. In national affairs there are also matters of finance of extreme importance, and the increasing demands of government for power to enter upon new areas

of state action call for the highest exercise of the intelligence and practical faculties. To undertake to deal with such problems in ignorance is to invite disaster; and it is only the highest ability that can hope to master their intricacies and point out the proper solution.

To another rising study this department must give support and direction — I refer to the study of commercial geography. The mere boundaries of a country, the names of its capital and leading cities, rivers and mountains, convey no real meaning to the child's mind, and much less can they satisfy the more matured student. The climate and productions of the region, the mineral wealth and the products for home consumption or foreign trade, the manufacturing industries and the great commercial roads leading to or through it, the general habits of the people in food and clothing, and the form and supply of labor available — these are a few of the leading topics that present themselves in an attempt to gain even a superficial conception of what a country or a region implies. The prevailing feverish eagerness to penetrate into new and undescribed regions enforces such a study, and in the intense competition for colonial dependencies or protectorates, it will be the people having the most intelligent mastery of needs and resources that will win the highest rewards. In Africa, in Asia, and in South America, commerce is being pushed as never before, and vast territories, thought a short time since to be doomed by climate and unattractiveness to lie waste for many generations, are being subdued by labor, made accessible by railroads, and subjected to organized administrations designed to develop their possibilities in surface culture or in mineral wealth.

A special feature of the department will be the large number of collections designed to give what is known of these undeveloped regions of the earth, and what is being done to make them better known. The proceedings of geographical societies are valuable for general descriptions; the accounts of travellers add to these more special information. The most valuable sources are, however, the reports of the consular service throughout the world, for they are governed by certain features that make them highly instructive. They are, as a rule, prepared by men trained in commerce; they are designed to picture the actual movements of trade, and compiled from year to year offer a consecutive record of the transactions at each port where a consular officer may be stationed; they reflect the spirit of the commercial "drummer," who seeks to study the wants of the market, and examines them in the light of the home industries and their

ability to supply what is wanted, in competition with rivals for the trade. A consular report is thus a record of the actual, and a suggestion for the possible, and usually cast in such a form as to illuminate the habits, aptitudes and necessities of the people at or near the port of commerce. I have therefore sought to obtain, and promptly, what is being reported by the consular services of the respective countries, and there are on file the following: American, German, British, French, Austrian and Italian.

To accomplish the best objects certain modifications must be introduced in the library arrangements. The classification adopted for the collections of this department is on the decimal plan (Dewey's system), modified by such changes as the special nature of the books suggests. After much consideration this was deemed the best course to pursue, and its elasticity commends itself in use. In a general collection, where the reader knows what is wanted, the fixed position of the shelf, without regard or with little regard to subject matter, may have its advantages. But in a special collection, where the questions are often vague and usually general, the classification by subject becomes almost a necessity. The end to be attained is the grouping of the records of one line of governmental experience, which may be found promptly, consulted easily, and offer facilities for comparing results of different peoples and countries. So far as it has been tested, the system has proved satisfactory.

While such classification will be of great assistance to both reader and department, special lists will still further make the material known and available. Much of the best statistical work is published in government reports, or periodicals, and is easily overlooked in a general survey. Some accessible record is needed to refresh the memory or direct the attention of the investigator. I have undertaken to prepare a catalogue of the English Parliamentary Papers for recent years, and have in process a catalogue of the United States Congressional publications. I hope to carry the idea further into practice by noting any important article on a social topic in the leading reviews and financial journals, so that the inquirer may be provided with the latest and selected utterances or records by experts upon his specialty. Without undertaking to create original research, or to influence judgment, every effort will be made to encourage study. The highest function of the department must be to have ready at hand the material for all who may apply. I may add that the number of the inquirers is daily increasing, and their questions cover a wide range.

I cannot close without expressing my appreciation of the readiness you have shown to make this department useful, and of your courteous and hearty encouragement. Praise is also due to my assistant, Mr. Lane, for his untiring zeal and his organizing abilities, both of which were needed in introducing order and arrangement in the collection of the Statistical Association. I have been much gratified by the willing co-operation of other departments of the Library, even when my plans traversed their methods.

Respectfully submitted,

WORTHINGTON C. FORD.

(E.)

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

CO-OPERATION WITH THE SCHOOLS.

[LIBRARIAN'S NOTE. — While this work is in the experimental stage seems the proper time to point out certain difficulties that have developed in its operation. They are, perhaps, due to misunderstanding or but partial understanding. But as they are not insurmountable, an endeavor must be made to surmount them; and this must begin with a clear appreciation of their nature.

At my request, therefore, the following report contents itself with a statement of the system instituted, omits expatiation upon successful results, and considers more especially some of the difficulties experienced.

For a further description of existing work with the schools see the Report of the Supervisor of Branches, *infra*.]

In May, 1895, an order was passed by the School Committee directing the Board of Supervisors to consider plans. "A conference was held on the 14th of June of that year, between the Trustees of the Public Library and the Board of Supervisors. The Librarian, Mr. Putnam, and the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Seaver, were appointed a committee to draw up a report to be submitted on the one hand to the Trustees of the Public Library, and on the other hand to the Board of Supervisors of the Public Schools." This report is to be found in School Document No. 14, 1895. For the carrying out of the plans therein contained a special appropriation would be necessary, and thus far no such appropriation has been available. Certain recommendations have been adopted, however, by the Library, and are included in the following brief account of the accommodations offered at the present time to teachers and pupils:

Teacher's cards, so-called, have been provided, allowing the issue of six books for a period of four weeks.

School children under twelve (the age limit below which a regular card is not issued) are allowed privileges.

Four public schools as well as the Parental School, the Cottage Place and North Bennet Street Industrial Schools, have books on deposit. The Hancock School has a regular semi-weekly exchange of about 100 books.

Books for topical reference are from time to time reserved in the branch libraries, either selected from the branch collections or sent from the Central Library. This is done either on requisition from the teachers or at the initiative of the branch custodians.

A list of books for younger readers, including 1,116 titles, has been prepared, representing books for general reading which may be found on the same shelf number in the Central Library and all the branches. This was sent at the time of publication to the head masters of all the public schools, and is on sale at the nominal price of one cent per copy.

In the Fine Arts Department much has been done in the way of circulating among the schools portfolios of photographs, etc., and arranging for meetings, in the department, of classes in architecture, painting, ornamentation, and drawing.

In other departments similar offers to reserve topical material have been made. On January 11, 1897, a circular was addressed by the Librarian to the teachers of the public schools, in which he urges them to possess and read the above School Document No. 14, 1895, and requests particularly that they will "inform the Library systematically of topics to be studied, that they will request books to be set aside touching such topics, that they will agree that while such topics are pending such books shall be reserved instead of being issued for home use." The Custodian of the Fine Arts Department tells me that he does receive occasional requests in accordance with this circular. None such has been received in the Children's Room.

Attention may also be called to the want of understanding among teachers of the necessary limitations in the use of teachers' cards. With the circular above mentioned was sent a short letter describing this use, at the close of which it is expressly stated that teachers' cards are not to be used to draw several copies of the same book; yet applications are frequently made for two, three, and even more copies of a given book, which if granted would deprive the Library of all its copies for other use. These cards are also frequently

presented for current fiction and other classes of books, in a way to indicate an intention to make a purely personal use of them.

It may be asked now what action the schools have taken in response to the report of 1895. On page 7 of the report is the suggestion that the teacher shall "submit to the Librarian a provisional schedule of the topics to be assigned throughout the ensuing year, or such part of it as can be planned for at that time." Such a suggestion (like the one below) is of course provisional, and perhaps we should not have expected any very general action in response to it; yet so far as I am aware, no single schedule of topics has been submitted.

Again, after calling attention to the desirability of placing collections of books on temporary deposit in the schools themselves, the report continues: "Were each topic studied contemporaneously in all the schools such a deposit would be impossible without a multiplication of copies of the books needed beyond what could reasonably be afforded, but as great latitude is allowed to the various schools as to the order in which assigned courses shall be pursued, it should be possible for the masters of the schools so to vary the order in which topics are taken up, that but a small number of classes shall at any one time be engaged upon any one topic." But, putting aside the question whether such collections should be reserved in the schools themselves or in the Library, if personal observation may be trusted topics are commonly appointed to be investigated at the same time in all the schools, without regard to the possibility of providing books.

This is observed where the topic concerns an anniversary such as Washington's birthday, Patriots' day, or the anniversary of the visit of Lafayette to Boston. There is one difficulty to be avoided, however, even here. We cannot render proper assistance if the request comes, as has happened, only the day before a theme is due. Last fall, at the time of the anniversary of Lafayette's visit, the call came on Tuesday for material on Lafayette for a theme due on the following day. The topic, I was told, had been assigned only the day previous. A second difficulty lies in the fact that topics are assigned which are beyond the comprehension of the pupils, which are abstract, and cannot be made matter of precise reference. In October, four children came to me who had been told to find all they could about "Grasses" in the encyclopædias, a subject one of the most difficult in botany, concerning which all the books are extremely technical. "The tariff," "Capital punishment," "The woman question," are some of the topics

which have been assigned for compositions or debates, topics so comprehensive that the pupil is wholly at sea and bewildered in his attempt to treat them.

Furthermore, although the report directed attention to the value of the habit among pupils of coming with some regularity to the Library, and urged the teachers to accompany them on the first visit and especially to help them become familiar with the use of the collection of reference books in Bates Hall, I have been disappointed at the small number both of pupils and teachers who have been actively interested.

In the spring of 1898 I visited eight grammar schools, some of them several times. I talked with the teachers, made notes of books desired, and examined those provided for the schools. In accordance with recommendations then made a second circular was addressed to the teachers of the Latin, High, and grammar schools. I quote from the circular: "The facilities at the Central Library will be increased and improved. More space for the use of pupils and teachers is to be provided. The Kindergarten Library for the use of teachers is to be enlarged. A special reference library for the use of pupils is to be placed in the Children's Room, and so far as possible a greater number of books needed by the pupils for reference, collateral and supplementary reading is to be supplied.

"What the books shall be should depend largely upon recommendation of the teachers themselves.

"The Library invites each teacher to send in a list of the books that will be of service to teacher and pupil in connection with the work of the coming school year. . . . It may be practicable to prepare for the coming year a graded list of books for collateral and supplementary reading. Such a list for younger readers, as well as a list classified by subjects, is in contemplation.

"In addition to the lists themselves teachers are invited to communicate in writing or otherwise, suggestions with reference to the conduct of this work either as to books or as to service.

"Teachers need not abstain from these lists or from these suggestions simply because the school in which they teach is remote from the Central Library. What will be done at the Central Library may furnish a useful example of what may be attempted later with the Branches or perhaps through the schools themselves."

One thousand one hundred and fifty copies of this circular were sent to the Superintendent of Schools for distribution to all the teachers in the Latin, High and grammar schools. Replies were received from ten of the some one hundred and

eighty teachers in the Latin and High schools, from sixteen of the some eight hundred and ninety in the grammar schools, in all twenty-six replies.

The lists were examined and compared with lists of text-books and of books for supplementary reading furnished the schools, to see what books might properly be supplied by the School Committee, and what came within the province of the Library to supply. The lists were then compared with the Library catalogue to see how far the requests were made with a knowledge of the already existing resources of the Library.

In many instances the lists showed ignorance of the Library, in others a determined effort to multiply copies of a useful book. Long lists were made up almost entirely of books standing on the list for younger readers, and already liberally supplied by the Library.

As a result, between forty and fifty titles were sent to the Librarian and approved by him. From two to six copies of each book were bought, some for circulation, some for the new children's reference library. While certain of these titles were suggested by the teachers, many were the result of my personal observation; and to these as a basis, the Librarian has added some 200 more titles to form a children's reference library in the second Children's Room about to be opened.

To-day the department, with increased space, a new reference library, and with the experience thus far gained, is in a better position to assist teachers and pupils than ever before. A more active co-operation is all that is asked for. Many of the obstacles to effective work would be removed were a special appropriation available. But much may be accomplished with the present funds if four things are observed, two by the School Committee and Supervisors, and two by the teachers:

I. The School Committee to furnish a more adequate supply of the best text-books on the various subjects, so that teachers need not apply to the Library for material properly to be supplied by the city to the schools themselves.

II. The Supervisors not to appoint a special topic for the majority of schools at the same time.

III. Teachers to take advantage more generally of the Library's ability and willingness to meet requests for reserved material, and to locate it temporarily in the branch libraries; a notice to be given of such special requests far enough in advance to enable the Library to meet them conveniently.

IV. Teachers to inform themselves and their pupils more fully as to Library resources and Library methods.

Respectfully submitted,

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(F.)

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE BRANCH
DEPARTMENT.

SERVICE OF THE BRANCHES AND STATIONS FROM THE
CENTRAL LIBRARY.

The Daily Issue.— The delivery of books from the Central Library on cards and slips to the branches and stations has amounted for the year to 86,541 volumes, an increase of 30,007 volumes, or fifty-three per cent., over the number for the year ending January 31, 1898. The percentage of unsuccessful applications has fallen during the year from forty-nine per cent. to forty-one per cent.

Active extension of the work of the daily issue is limited by the capacity of the Branch Division at the Central Library and of the library wagons to care for it. The work in the Branch Division is concentrated in point of time. Few people leave slips or call for books at the branches and stations before 1 P.M. The mail has lately been used to equalize this pressure at the Central Library. In addition to this difficulty of concentration of work, the public suffers from not getting its books on the same day they are applied for, since the slips left in the afternoon and evening cannot be filled by us till the next morning. The only remedy for the evil seems to be a second daily delivery at many of the branches and stations, and this would partially solve both problems. It would require, however, the employment of a messenger and of another wagon during part of the day, together with extra service in the Branch Division. I have already submitted to you a report on this subject.

Deposit Work.— There are now forty-eight places to which deposits are sent as against forty-two at the close of last year. The number of volumes sent out this year was 18,378; last year, 12,519. The increase is forty-seven per cent.

On January 31, 1898, there were 5,041 volumes in the deposit collection, 66 per cent. of them fiction. There have

been added during the year 2,947 volumes. Since seventy volumes have been condemned, withdrawn or transferred to the Central collection, the present total is 7,918 volumes, of which sixty-three per cent. are fiction and juveniles.

The deposit collection is a very effective part of the Library equipment. The books are shifted constantly from one to another of the forty-eight places of deposit, and from less than 8,000 volumes, there is a circulation of more than 150,000 per annum. The collection, however, should be larger. As a rule not more than twelve per cent. of the books are upon the Central Library shelves at one time, and many of these are unavailable because of having been the round of the stations. Precisely at this stage in the life of the collection many volumes are falling for the first time into this class of "dead books," not to be sent to any station again till two years from their return from it. Fourteen stations out of eighteen now change fifty instead of twenty-five volumes per month, and this exhausts our resources more rapidly. It is, of course, not advisable to transfer books in block from one station to another, for the stations differ in their needs. To give scope for judicious selection in making up the deposits, and to enlarge present deposits, several thousand volumes more seem needed.

With regard to the quality of the books of the collection, the additions recommended are chiefly such as pass the test of permanent value or enduring interest. There is a proportion of books without much literary merit, which are useful as stepping-stones to better reading. If the collection fails at all it is most likely to be in attractiveness to the ordinary reader, and with this in mind there has been a systematic endeavor to avoid respectable dullness. The collection receives general approval from the custodians, with the important qualification that the demand is for more fiction.

Work with Schools.—One hundred and two special deposits, with a total of 755 volumes, have been sent to the branches and stations this year, chiefly for the use of schools and clubs. To systematize this work we have had printed a form to be used by teachers in asking for deposits. Copies of this form are sent to the neighboring schools by the custodians, together with a circular letter to the masters. Of the number of books reserved at the branches for school use this year, no statistics are available.

Work with schools without the intervention of the branch or station has begun to develop into a system. To four schools, the Brighton High School, Roxbury High School, Charles Sumner School (Grammar) and Rice Training School

(Grammar), deposits have been sent direct. A charging system, with the use of the regular library card, has been adopted, and monthly reports of circulation are sent to us. These schools, therefore, are for certain limited uses stations of the Library. At the Brighton and the Roxbury High Schools, books are exchanged twice a month. The circulation at the Brighton High School, for a few months only, has amounted to 1,108 volumes (home and hall use), and we find that the presence at the school of books which may be drawn on the regular library card rather stimulates the use of the branch than otherwise.

Since many books could not be spared from the Central Library, it became necessary to buy extra copies. Nearly 300 volumes of these have already been ordered. They form a part of the Central collection, but the special stamp "deposit duplicate" indicates that they are at the service of the Branch Division for the use of schools. They have been selected chiefly from lists of recommendations sent in by teachers. In connection with the examination of these lists a record has been made of several hundred volumes likely to be needed of which there is a copy at our disposal on the shelves. Several hundred more books need to be bought. The books for the Grammar Schools (ninth grade) can be supplied generally from the deposit collection. They are of the character of those found in the list¹ entitled "Books for supplementary reading" for the Boston public schools, though no books actually furnished to a school by the School Committee are duplicated by us. The deposit duplicates are intended chiefly for high schools. In character they are books for topical reference. A few examples are given here: Rawlinson, Herodotus; Stubbs, Constitutional history of England; Fustel de Coulanges, the Ancient city; Dowden, Shakespeare, his mind and art; Gosse, Eighteenth Century literature; Lang, Leafe and Myers, Iliad of Homer; Darwin, Power of movement in plants; Lübke, History of art; Clarke, Ten great religions. These are books which the scholars can use freely in no way so well as by having them sent to the school by the Library.

The extension of this system meets various obstacles. There are limitations on our part in the matter of labor, of time and of expense. In order to make a few copies of a book do for many schools it would be necessary (1) that the Library should know what books are kept in permanence at each school; (2) that the schools should not all take up the same subject at the same time; (3) that they should give

¹In School Document No. 8, 1898.

due notice of subjects to be taken up. Further, if this direct work of the Library with the schools is to become general, a method of co-operation must be adopted, as was recommended in the report on the co-operation of the Library with the schools made by the Librarian and the Superintendent of Schools to the conference of the Trustees of the Public Library and the Board of Supervisors (1895).

Unity of administration of a portion of the books used by the schools seems to be desirable. A partial inquiry shows that with regard to size, character and use, the collections of books held by the schools are diverse. If an agreement for co-operation were made and funds were provided, in addition to furnishing deposits of books for topical reference and general reading, the Library might well administer the collections now at the schools, outside of the following classes : 1. Text-books. 2. Books for analysis in the class-room. 3. Permanent reference books. 4. Collateral reading of a systematically didactic character. This plan would secure uniform methods in the use of books, and records of their use. It would define the functions of the Library and make its work more effective. Such a general extension would involve considerable expense in transportation, additional service and additional copies of books.

If no general plan of co-operation is now practicable, a limited agreement of the same nature by which in certain schools the Library should administer the books described above, in addition to those it might furnish, would be a step in advance. There is a waste of effort necessarily involved in present conditions.

BRANCHES.

Reclassification. — The most important change of the year has been the reclassification and recataloguing of the branches. The collections of books varied in size from 4,000 to 34,000 volumes, and they varied widely in character. The diversity in this latter respect was so great that an examination in one department of American history showed almost no books that were in all the branches. As a step toward uniformity, therefore, we began last June to reclassify the collections according to one system. This involved (1) transferring unserviceable books to the Central Library; (2) renumbering books according to the simple system of the West End Branch; (3) revising the card catalogues, or in some cases making new card catalogues. The revision of the catalogues has gone on contemporaneously with the reclassification, and the result will be complete card catalogues at all the branches,

and an accurate union catalogue and shelf list at the Central Library.

The report of what has been actually accomplished, given elsewhere, shows that one branch is practically completed, that in two more we can see the end not far distant, and that at the others good progress has been made.

Branch Finding List. — Since June 1, 1897, the accessions common to all the branches have been classified according to the West End system and in April, 1898, a finding list of these books was issued, covering accessions up to April 1. This was the first printed finding list or bulletin of all the branches. It will be followed by others, and eventually, it is hoped, by a comprehensive union finding list.

Open Shelves. — At Brighton all the shelves have been thrown open as far as the reclassification has gone. This has involved the remodelling of the interior of the branch, which was completed in September last. By the new arrangement, after passing the issue desk access is free to all parts of the floor. As the progress of the reclassification allowed, the alcoves have been thrown open till only one, containing a part of the fiction, remains closed. Placards designating the classes have been posted, and a notice announcing that the shelves are open to all card-holders over sixteen years of age. School children under the age of sixteen are admitted to certain shelves on application.

At the Dorchester, Jamaica Plain, South Boston and South End branches, where the arrangement of the shelves made it possible, the books in history, or history and biography, have been removed to a position near the gate, and the alcove thrown open to the public. For the branches where this is not practicable at present, placards have been prepared announcing that card-holders over sixteen years of age will be admitted to the shelves for special purposes on application to the attendants.

Sunday Opening. — An experiment this year has been the issue of books on Sunday at Charlestown, East Boston and South Boston. Last year these branches were open for reference and reading only. The Sunday opening began on November 6, and was advertised by placards and by items in the daily papers and local weeklies. The daily averages up to February 1 are here given, in comparison with those for the same months of last year:

	1897-98.		1898-99.		
	November — January.		November — January.		Books issued.
	Readers.	Adults.	Readers.	Adults.	
Charlestown,	213	28%	299	30%	57
East Boston,	278	8%	270	20%	33
South Boston,	248	36%	253	45%	26

The largest issue of books at Charlestown was 90, at East Boston, 62, at South Boston, 46.

The attendance and the percentage of adults have therefore been good, but the issue of books small. There has been, however, a steady gain in this particular at Charlestown and East Boston, the average for January being 66 at the former and 39 at the latter. But in any case the experiment must be tried longer. I note in this connection that the West End Branch and Station P continue to have a good circulation on Sunday: As to expense, it costs no more to issue a moderate number of books than to furnish suitable service on Sunday without this feature, since it has been found that two attendants at each branch are desirable merely to assist the readers and to preserve order. The cost has been \$7.60 or less at each branch, \$2 of which is paid for heating the rooms.

Service. — At the weekly meetings of the custodians a wide range of topics is discussed, as is shown by the minutes which have been kept. About once a month a meeting of a special character has been held, as at Brighton to inspect the open shelves, or at the Juvenile Room to examine the methods. We sometimes have a paper on an appointed subject followed by a discussion.

Books. — Four thousand two hundred and twenty-two volumes of new books have been bought for the branches, as against 4,657 last year. Very few of these are permanent reference books, or books for younger readers. Since last June no new books have been bought for Charlestown on account of the crowded condition of the shelves.

Periodicals. — An approximate uniformity seems desirable in the periodicals furnished to the branches as well as in the books. The lists were until recently very diverse in size and character. Avoiding sweeping changes, other lists have been prepared which are less unequal, and a radical revision is proposed after a year of observation. Periodicals of narrow scope like the "China Decorator" and the "Phonetic Review," and others of small literary merit, have been dropped, and such magazines as the "Review of Reviews" have been put on all the lists.

Circulation. — By the table of circulation it appears that the total for the branches is 660,171 as against 659,099 for the year ending January 31, 1898, a gain of less than one per cent. There are special conditions which affect the circulation at some branches, as at Jamaica Plain which the existence of the Boylston Station no doubt injures, or at East Boston where the centre of the reading population

moves steadily away from the branch. At Charlestown, lack of new books must be taken into account. The fact that this has been a transition year both as regards the administration of the department and the re-classification is fairly to be noted, and perhaps also the general character of the year, which has been more favorable to the reading of newspapers than of books.

DELIVERY STATIONS AND OTHER AGENCIES.

Enlargement and Improvement. — One new delivery station has been added this year, Station U, on Union Park street in Ward 9. It was opened on December 27, with a deposit of 400 books. The circulation for January was 1,490 volumes, 325 of which were drawn from the Central Library. This shows that the station meets a need. In fact there is no other library agency actually within the limits of Ward 9, and the district is densely populated. The establishment of the station, was, however, made possible only by the offer of rooms by the Archbishop and the clergy of the Cathedral of the Holy Cross. In type it is therefore like Station S.

On April 28, a deposit was sent to Station E at Neponset, so that all our stations have now the deposit feature.

Portfolios of pictures have been sent for the first time this year to the three reading-rooms, A, D, and L, and to Station S. There is unfortunately no room to display pictures at the reading-rooms F and P.

Seven of the eighteen stations are now in charge of Library employees, and meetings of these custodians have been begun, with the intention of furnishing an opportunity for the discussion of the problems and interests connected with their work.

Sunday Opening. — Two of the stations have been open on Sunday since October 1, Station P (Broadway Extension Reading-Room), and Station S (Roxbury Crossing), the latter for the first time. At both, books have been issued for home use. The statistics show that the Broadway Extension Station is literally crowded with Sunday readers. Another attendant has been added for the evening. The average number of books issued has been 54. At Station S there has been a steady but smaller attendance and issue. The collection of books, however, is not so attractive as at the former station, and only one-quarter as large.

Circulation. — The circulation this year directly from the stations has been 175,552 volumes as against 163,938 last year, a gain of seven per cent.; but the total circulation of the stations, including the institutions, engine-houses and schools,

264,672 volumes, shows a gain of 23.7 per cent. over that of last year.

Types of Stations. — There are now three types of stations, all having the delivery and deposit features: 1. Reading-rooms, with a library employee in charge, and with periodicals and reference books. 2. Stations in charge of a library employee, but having no periodicals or reference books. 3. Stations in shops where the proprietor furnishes space, light, heat and service. Stations of the second kind may for convenience be called service stations, those of the third kind, shop stations. Stations S and U are service stations, though Station S has two characteristics of a reading-room, space for reading tables, and a few periodicals. Eleven of our stations are shop stations.

The ideal would seem to be the reading-room, and next to it the service station. The latter tends constantly to develop into the former. Station P was not originally a reading-room, but has become one, while at Stations S and U the recent small donations of books mark a change, as do also the enlargement at Station S and the addition of periodicals mentioned above. Considerations of expense are the obstacles to this natural development.

But the common characteristic of the reading-room and the service station is that each is in charge of a library employee, and this is the important feature. It gives both the Library and the public the advantage of more intelligent service. There is hardly any station where advice and information about books is not asked for or where school children do not come with questions. It is desirable; therefore, to have in charge a custodian who is imbued with the library spirit and is capable of given help to inquirers; while, further, if a station is to become one of the intellectual centres of its district, a trained custodian is absolutely necessary.

The cost of maintenance of this type of station may be estimated at about \$1,000 per annum if enough is allowed for rent to provide a room of moderate size. In the more distant suburbs \$850 might be sufficient. As against this, the cost of a shop station with a circulation of over 21,000 volumes is approximately \$643 at the present rate of compensation. The difference is important in a consideration of ways and means, but it does not offset in my opinion the additional advantages of a service station. The extra expense must, no doubt, prevent action that might otherwise be taken; but service stations might be established as easily as shop stations if the rent, light and heat were furnished by

private individuals or institutions, with a reasonable guarantee for continuance. Under such an arrangement for sharing the burden of expenses, Stations S and U are carried on.

Other Agencies. — At the Hancock School, in the North End, where there is a delivery of books from the Central Library on cards, the circulation for this year has been 6,831 volumes as against 3,937 for the last year. To the Fleet-street Free Reading Room for Men have been sent deposits of books every two weeks, from the West End Branch. We have sent, as heretofore, monthly deposits to twenty-two engine-houses and ladder companies. No more can be served at present by the Library wagons. The House of Reformation on Rainsford Island, and the Cottage-place and North Bennet-street Industrial Schools have received regular deposits, but those to the Marcella-street Home ceased in October because of the removal of that institution. In September last we began sending large deposits from the Central Library to the Parental School for Boys at West Roxbury, in place of thirty volumes per month from the West Roxbury Branch, the resources of which were insufficient for the needs of the school.

From all the institutions, records of the use of books are sent to us each month. The North Bennet-street School has sent us the first number of an interesting little magazine in manuscript prepared by the pupils. It is called *Book Reviews*, and contains original accounts of some of the books furnished by the Library. In January a deposit of books was sent to the Back Bay post-office station for the use of the letter-carriers.

BRANCH DIVISION. — CENTRAL LIBRARY.

Inter-Library Loans. — The number of volumes lent to other libraries this year was 224 as against 135 last year. Twenty-seven applications were denied. Nineteen books were borrowed from other libraries.

Distribution of Periodicals. — A new function of the Branch Division is the distribution of periodicals to the penal institutions, the pauper institutions, and the insane hospitals of the city. The periodicals are those not required for binding at the Central Library or the branches. The work has been systematized, but statistics must be postponed to another year.

Respectfully submitted,

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Supervisor of Branches and Stations.

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MEMORIAL OF THE DEATH OF ARTHUR MASON
KNAPP, 1839-1898.

On Tuesday, December 27, 1898, died Arthur Mason Knapp, Custodian of Bates Hall in the Boston Public Library.

He was born at St. Johnsbury, Vermont, August 3, 1839, the son of Hiram Knapp and Sophronia Brown. During his boyhood the family removed to Boston, where he fitted for college at the Boston Latin School. He was graduated as the first scholar in his class, and entered Harvard College as a member of the class of 1863. He held from Harvard the degree of A.M. as well as that of A.B.

After teaching for some years in Phillips Academy, Andover, in the Boston Latin School, and in the Brookline High School, he entered the service of the Library January 23, 1875. His first appointment was to the charge of the special collections of the Library; from 1878 until his death he held the position of Custodian of Bates Hall.

His knowledge of Shakespeariana and of Elizabethan literature was of great value in the preparation of the catalogue of the Barton collection. In his position in charge of the main reference department of the Library, his special knowledge of the subject of genealogy and local history, as well as a thorough general knowledge of the resources of the Library on all subjects, was of the greatest service to an immense constituency of readers. To the value of this service, rendered with exact conscientiousness and singleness of purpose in its relation to his colleagues, and with assiduity and personal interest towards the readers and students who came to him for assistance, the warm appreciation of all those with whom he came in contact bears witness.

Passages from the address of the Rev. Dr. James De Normandie at the funeral services, December 30, 1898 :

The public is most exacting of its servants, and feels that all their time and strength and acquisitions belong to it without a moment's delay, without any manifestation of impatience or weariness. To have been for nearly a quarter of a century in such a service is itself a great testimony to one's worth, and to have been for twenty years the trusted head of one of the leading departments of the Public Library is a proof of merit to which words can add very little.

The accumulated and well-arranged learning of our friend, as if it were all in a multitude of familiar drawers, was freely given to any inquirer. Many came every day to ask not only for books, but to know what books or what essays had been written upon every subject recent or ancient, plain or abstruse, that the fertile mind of man has ever thought of — and here was one who seemed to remember all; whose good taste and good judgment were ever ready to suggest not only books, which is a very little matter, but the *best* books, which is a very important matter touching the higher question of life — so that his daily work was to give to hundreds better ideals of human actions, and human character; making his mission one with all those who in every form of teaching, in journalism, in schools, and in the church, are helping this to be a better world.

What knowledge, what graciousness, what a ready and unfailing sympathy, what a sense of humor which so lightens the annoyances of public station, what a spirit of self-denying, what faithfulness marked his daily life. When St. Paul would express the highest merit of a steward, he says "it is required that a man be found faithful," and when Jesus Christ would set a seal of divine favor and divine joy upon a man's work he told the beautiful story of one who was faithful to his talents, his gifts. Servants and stewards of the Most High, all of us, our best reward is that we be found faithful. Only faithful! In the midst of so much that is unfaithful, in the midst of so many noisy activities which count for nothing and end in nothing, God grant that when our work like his is done, there may be written upon it the promise of Jesus, "thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE FOR 1898.

To the Trustees of the Boston Public Library :

GENTLEMEN,—The following persons were appointed members of the Examining Committee for the year 1898 :

J. Bapst Blake, M.D.	Hon. Henry W. Bragg.
Hon. Patrick A. Collins.	Rev. Arthur T. Connolly.
E. Winchester Donald, D.D.	William H. Ensworth, M.D.
Mr. C. W. Ernst.	Miss Gretchen Field.
Mr. Alfred Hemenway.	Mr. Thomas Hills.
Mr. John H. Lee.	Mr. A. Lawrence Lowell.
Miss E. F. Mason.	Mrs. Elizabeth F. Parker.
Mr. James J. Roche.	Mr. Charles P. Searle.
Mrs. Sarah H. Williamson.	Mr. Frank Wood.

On June 2, 1898, the committee was organized by the choice of Mr. Hemenway as Chairman, and Mrs. Elizabeth F. Parker as Secretary.

The following sub-committees were appointed :

On Administration.

Mr. Alfred Hemenway, *Chairman.*

Hon. Patrick A. Collins.	Rev. E. Winchester Donald, D.D.
Miss Gretchen Field.	Mrs. Elizabeth F. Parker.
Mr. Charles P. Searle.	Mrs. Sarah H. Williamson.

On Books.

J. Bapst Blake, M.D., *Chairman.*

Mr. C. W. Ernst.	Mr. James J. Roche.
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On Catalogues, Bulletins and Finding Lists.

Mr. A. Lawrence Lowell, *Chairman.*

Mr. William L. Putnam.	Miss E. F. Mason.
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On Branches and New Modes of Distribution.

Hon. Henry W. Bragg, *Chairman.*

Mr. Thomas Hills.	Mr. John H. Lee.
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On Finance.

William H. Ensworth, M.D., *Chairman.*

Rev. Arthur T. Connolly.	Mr. Frank Wood.
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The Sub-Committee on Books reports as follows:

As Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Books I have the honor to submit the following report:

Your committee recalls the recommendations of the previous committee and agrees with them.

They were, substantially, that the three great libraries of Metropolitan Boston should not, in either their collections or their aims, unnecessarily duplicate one another, and, that the Boston Public Library should be particularly strong in books upon every subject related to the city of Boston itself.

Your committee would emphasize particularly the latter of the above two recommendations, and would again call attention to the fact that there are not sufficient reference books in the various rooms; that the collection of maps and atlases is by no means to be compared in completeness with the files on most other subjects; and that the Library is particularly weak in guide books of modern years. Your committee recommends that these departments be strengthened.

The Sub-Committee on Catalogues, Bulletins and Finding Lists reports as follows:

There are now in the Library the following catalogues:

1. The Lower Hall card catalogue in the Delivery-room, relating chiefly to recent fiction.

2. The catalogue of the Barton Library in the bound volume of catalogues near the Bates Hall catalogue.

This is a special library, chiefly relating to dramatic works, and containing many Shakespearian editions.

3. The card catalogue of articles in scientific periodicals not only in this library, but in a number of associate libraries. This has been recently started, and is kept near the Bates Hall catalogue.

4. The Bates Hall card catalogue which covers the books and bound periodicals not in the preceding catalogues, and many of the books that are also in the Lower Hall catalogue and the Barton catalogue.

5. Special card catalogues in different rooms, devoted to the special class of books kept in that room.

6. Printed catalogues, in bound volumes, on special subjects or branches, issued from time to time by the Trustees.

7. Lists of books on special subjects, which have come out in connection with different numbers of the Bulletin.

8. The Annual List of all books received during the year, arranged by subject.

At first sight it seems as if there must be an unnecessary multiplication of catalogues, but to a large extent it will be found that they serve different purposes.

The first five classes of catalogues are intended to enable people searching for a book to find it, and also to enable them to discover what books are in the Library on any subject. In all of these the book will be found, as a rule, under the name of the author, under the subject, and often also under the title.

The last three classes of catalogues are intended primarily to inform the public what books are to be found in the Library, to bring its contents to their notice, thus fostering an interest in good reading.

The Bulletins are distributed free.

The Annual List of the important books received is sold for five cents, and the books are classified by subject, so that a person interested in any branch can ascertain quickly what new books he ought to read. We cannot too highly commend the institution of catalogues of this character.

The question of extending the Bates Hall catalogue, so as to include all the books of the Lower Hall catalogue and of the Barton catalogue and special periodical catalogue, so as to make the Bates Hall catalogue a complete list of the entire Library, has, we understand, been carefully considered by the Trustees. While there is much to be gained by this course, there are advantages on the other side, and we do not feel that the investigation that we have been able to make, necessarily brief, warrants us in recommending any change in this respect.

We recommend, however, that there be posted conspicuously in the Delivery Room and the Bates Hall catalogue room, in the Reading Room, and perhaps in other conspicuous places, a summarized list of all the catalogues open to the public, with the class of books contained in each, and the place where the catalogues may be consulted; and, incidentally, we think that the sign over the Lower Hall card catalogue in the reading-room should be changed so as to indicate that the Bates Hall catalogue is the principal one in the Library.

These changes, we think, will save time in finding books.

It is becoming more and more important and necessary that everything shall be done to improve and complete subject catalogues, and we especially commend the course of the Trustees in obtaining the assistance of persons specially conversant with the subject in the preparation of some of the more recent special lists and bulletins. This course should be followed in future wherever possible. A special catalogue, made up only by the employees of the Library from the Bates Hall catalogue, is much less helpful than one made by

a person who has made a study of the subject, and is familiar not only with its bibliography, but with the relative value of the different books. It is liable, also, not to display in proper relative importance the full resources of the Library.

We again recommend for the consideration of the Trustees the suggestion made last year—that the card catalogues used in making these special catalogues be kept up to date, and that duplicates be placed in the Bates Hall catalogue. We also suggest that where a subject in the Bates Hall card catalogue comprises many titles and is much subdivided, a table showing briefly the arrangement of the divisions be placed on the first card.

In many of the larger subjects treated by the card catalogues, the subdivisions are indicated by larger cards of a brown color, which are easily distinguished in glancing along the top of a drawer full of cards. This is excellent as far as it goes, but we recommend that the system be greatly extended, and that all the drawers be subdivided, and, as it were, indexed in this way. The saving of time which can thus be effected will be very material.

The special catalogue of articles in scientific periodicals is one of the most hopeful signs of the times, for it is an experiment in co-operative work among a number of large libraries. The catalogue itself was intended to cover periodicals not included in Poole's and other indices; at least it was intended to do so in certain branches of study. Such an experiment is necessarily incomplete at first, and it is to be hoped that before long the list will be extended so as to include all the good periodicals in any branch of learning that is covered at all. This is very far from being the case now, and the gaps are numerous and striking.

In making these suggestions the committee is thoroughly sensible of the fact that the Boston Public Library has carried the art of cataloguing to a higher point than any other library of the size in the world. But this does not exclude the possibility of improvement in details.

The Sub-Committee on Branches and New Modes of Distribution reports as follows:

The report of the Committee on Finance canvasses so thoroughly the necessity of suitable buildings for most of the Branches, and the impossibility of obtaining appropriations for any such improvements, that your committee forbears to do more than emphasize the suggestions of that report.

The rooms occupied by the East Boston Branch are entirely inadequate and unsuitable, and almost any change would be an improvement.

The furniture and appliances are of the cheapest kind; the reading-room which is practically a part of the stack room, has no means of ventilation, and is improperly heated and lighted.

The surroundings are such that young people who are expected to resort to the Library are subjected to sights and influences which can only prove baneful.

The Charlestown Branch is the largest branch, and now contains over 32,000 volumes, while it has room for only 25,000 volumes, notwithstanding no new books have been added since May 1, 1898. This overcrowded condition could be temporarily relieved by the removal to the Central Library of some 4,000 volumes comprising the "Harris Collection," which are seldom, if ever, used, and each year become more valuable, as the collection must always be composed of books published prior to 1850.

The income of the Harris Fund has accumulated to about \$4,000, and opportunities to increase the collection are frequently lost, by reason of lack of space above referred to. This would be obviated by the removal of this collection to the Central Library, where it would be not only protected against loss, but be of actual service to many now debarred from its use. Such removal has been heretofore earnestly opposed, but we have yet to learn of any ground for such opposition, except a vague sentiment, not shared by those who have the only right to urge it.

The whole library is exposed to the danger of fire from the adjoining buildings, which are used for stables. This risk can be greatly reduced by placing iron or tin shutters upon the rear windows at a small expense.

There should be some means of separating the adult reading room from that of the juveniles.

The chairs should be provided with rubber tips to prevent the noise which cannot be avoided otherwise.

There should be periodical racks for the tables, thus avoiding disorder and preserving the magazines for binding.

Most of these suggestions are applicable to each of the branches, and as the expense to be incurred is small, and the benefits to be derived are large, it seems wise economy to adopt and complete these improvements at once.

The West End Branch is the best equipped of all, probably because it is the most recent. The marked success in remodelling this old church for library purposes, suggests the propriety of the city securing one of the churches in Charlestown for a like experiment. The church on Monument square is the most centrally and conveniently located, is now

vacant, and probably could be purchased at a very reasonable price, and could at small expense be converted into a light, airy and convenient library building.

An increased use of the branches and consequent relief to the Central Library will, we think, be found to follow an increase of reading matter and better accommodations for their readers; and if the appropriation at the disposal of the Trustees will admit of larger expenditure for these purposes, a larger circulation and a larger attendance in branch reading rooms would doubtless result. What seemed the ample space of the West End Branch is often crowded and among the items of increased expense to be first considered should be the moderate cost of furnishing a section of its gallery for a juvenile department—giving to adults the exclusive use of the main floor. An opportunity exists to greatly increase the efficiency of the West Roxbury Branch at a small expense by adding an unoccupied and now useless room to its contracted quarters. In both these cases the need is so obvious and the first cost so moderate, that nothing but inadequate appropriations that will not admit of adding to the cost of administration the compensation of the increase of the working force that would be required to manage the larger area in use, should postpone the improvements.

The uniform numbering of the books of all the branches which we found in progress is a decided advance over former methods. When finished, and every book in any branch bears the duplicate number of the same work in any other branch, it will be possible to publish a branch library catalogue of works common to all branches, to be supplemented by printed cards for the card catalogues of the larger collections.

The delivery stations of the several branches in the outlying districts are widely scattered, their collection of books for home reading must of necessity be limited, and it often happens that a resident of a district where a station is situated who desires a work from the Central Library comes from a considerable distance to apply for it, and comes again the succeeding day only to find that it has not been received at the station. The expenditure of time and energy may have been material, but when the object of both visits has been accomplished, such expenditure is but the fair share of sacrifice and exertion of the student or reader. A house to house delivery of books called for, by the teams or messengers of the city, would be too expensive to be seriously considered. But when time is expended and distance travelled, only to ascertain that the book applied for could not be obtained and

that another trial must be made, more than the fair share of work is put upon the applicant if a method can be devised that will save the waste of what may be valuable time. It seems to the committee that, without expense to the department and with but little trouble to the custodians of branches or stations, a very simple method will meet the requirements of a case where the delivery of a book applied for must for any cause be delayed. Postal cards printed in proper form for the filling of blanks could be furnished those in charge of library work; these could be paid for and properly addressed by any persons desiring their use, who, when the desired volume reached the station, would receive by mail notice of the fact of its arrival and that the book applied for awaited their call.

The Committee on Finance reports as follows:

The committee finds that the system of auditing and payment of bills is a good one, and that the salaries and expenses for the past year have been satisfactory.

A system of checks has been introduced into the printing and binding department that allows instant detection of any loss or waste of material, and points to where such loss has occurred.

The committee recognizes that, in the not distant future, the Central Library will have to be enlarged. Although the Central Library has been in use but five years the demand made upon it has exceeded anticipation, and in some respects the building is already inadequate in space.

The stack room is rapidly being filled. Its total present capacity is 500,000 volumes. It contained on January 31, 1898, 410,007 volumes. The increase by accession the past three years was 47,341 volumes. The increase for the year 1897-98 was 16,344 volumes. With the present ratio of increase the stack limit will be reached in little more than four years. It would seem wise to be prepared to meet the demand in advance.

There are two pieces of property, probably available, in the rear of the library, either of which would be ample and each has merit.

The one, facing on Blagdon street, consists of a block of six houses, giving an area of 13,250 sq. ft., which is assessed with buildings, for \$153,000. This property is on the side with the present stack room.

The other is the property facing Boylston street at the corner of Exeter street, owned by Harvard University. It contains an area of 33,000 sq. ft., and is assessed with building, for \$264,000. This latter property already contains a building that could be used with advantage by the Library

for its more popular side, and thus much relieve the present building.

While this need is not an absolute necessity the present year, the committee would recommend its early serious consideration.

As to the branches, the Finance Committee confined itself to four. While the other branches are well taken care of in the matter of buildings, these four, in great contrast to the others, are sadly in need of new library buildings.

First, and by far the most needed in the way of new buildings, is a new branch library building in East Boston. We coincide with the report of the Examining Committee for the past two years when it says that "this branch is unfortunate (a) in its room, which is dull and dingy by day, poorly lighted by night and unattractive and ill-ventilated all the time; (b) in its material equipment, both of books and furniture; (c) in its surroundings, being over a municipal court-room and opposite a police station; and (d) in its location with reference to the centre of the population it is meant to serve."

East Boston, by its isolated geographical position, is entitled to a well-equipped library, yet it has at present the poorest library accommodations of any locality of its size in the State.

The Charlestown Branch is inadequately provided for in unsuitable rooms over a police-station.

The South Boston Branch is in rooms whose rent is \$2,500 per annum, the equivalent of 3% on a principal of \$88,000. The city should own its own library building here.

The South End Branch is in the High School building, and must soon vacate to make room for the needs of the school. This branch should be located nearer Washington street.

In view of the obvious need in these four districts for new buildings, we would recommend that the city government be petitioned for an appropriation of \$400,000 for the purpose of building and equipping these four new buildings. A similar appropriation of \$500,000 has been recently granted to the School Committee for the erection of four new high schools, and its wisdom has been approved. It would seem that these much-needed educators and adjuncts to the schools, the libraries, should be similarly favorably considered.

While the Central Library building has been generously considered in the very recent past, the branches have not received any consideration beyond their routine expenses for many years. It would seem that before any large amount is again spent on the central building, the much-needed new branches should be provided for.

The various branches present opportunities for generously disposed persons who wish to benefit their fellow-citizens, and at the same time leave a memorial to their efforts, to establish a modern library building, in whole or in part, this building or part of building, to be named for the donor, as is Bates Hall or the Ticknor or Barton libraries among the various book collections.

We recommend such disposition to those whose means and desires allow such action as an excellent method of benefiting, for many years to come, their fellow-citizens in the locality in whose midst they reside; and to such others who, although they may not live in one of these districts, may desire to furnish a much-needed benefit to a chosen locality. An excellent example has recently been set along the line of public benefaction by Mrs. Ahl, of the Back Bay District, who bought, furnished and presented to the city of Boston a gymnasium in East Boston.

While it has been a custom among public-spirited citizens of means to endow schools and colleges, these very necessary adjuncts to education, the libraries, have seldom been remembered in Boston to the extent of a new building or part of a building.

The Sub-Committee on Administration reports as follows:

The investigations of the committee have confirmed its belief in the capacity and faithfulness of the Trustees—and that the money expended on the Boston Public Library has been wisely used. Among scholars it has a world-wide reputation. To strangers, aside from our historic places, it is the chief attraction of our city. In the value of its books it far exceeds the Library of Congress—and by reason of wise purchases that value is constantly increasing. The internal arrangements of the Library building are far from ideal, but the recent changes, not yet completed, at least mitigate obvious defects and add to its efficiency. The calls for books will be more quickly answered. The time of the reader will be saved.

The Children's Department has been greatly improved. Their rights have been secured without serious detriment to their elders.

The ventilation of the building has been made better.

The courtesy of the employees is worthy of commendation.

The condition of the Library is one of progressive improvement.

So long as perfection is unattainable there is always room for criticism. But the sentiment which found expression in

the founding of the Library is still strong, and the faith of the people in its future is unflinching. "No entertainment is so cheap as reading, nor any pleasure so lasting," says Lady Montague.

"Books," says Cicero, "are the food of youth, the delight of old age, the ornament of prosperity, the refuge and comfort of adversity."

"If the riches of both Indies," says Fénelon, "if the crowns of the kingdoms of Europe were laid at my feet, in exchange for my love of reading, I would spurn them all." These seem extravagant words. They exhaust the language of eulogy. But riches and crowns are but adventitious and incidental possessions. They are only the frame of the picture. He who loves to read has a shield against calamity. The inequalities of life are hard to bear. But the Public Library tolerates no inequality. It dispenses its benefits with an even hand. Within its walls all are noble; there is no peasantry. It is a republic and all are sovereigns—there are no subjects. To this temple its worshippers should come with *clean hands* and pure thoughts. Books are no longer chained. Emerson said that the colleges, while they provide us with libraries, furnish no professors of books, and no chair is so much needed.

The Boston Public Library is open to no such criticism. The Librarian is not a mere custodian. To that office belongs the higher duty of assisting readers in their use.

The more a book is read the more valuable it becomes. Of all useless things the most useless is an unread book.

In the time of Queen Anne, Macaulay tells us that a shopkeeper or a farmer who found any pleasure in literature was a rarity. To-day a taste for reading is well-nigh universal. Over 2,000,000 persons enter the various departments of the Library during the year. So universal is this taste that we are apt to forget that it needs direction. Omnivorous reading is not wise reading. A cultivated is better than an omnivorous taste. Desultory reading is mental dissipation. It does not promote mental growth. We cannot commend too highly the courtesy and intelligence of the Librarian and his assistants in their wise endeavor to render all possible aid to readers of all capacities who come to the Library for "light and leading."

The reports of the respective sub-committees were accepted and adopted by the Committee.

(Signed.) ALFRED HEMENWAY,
Chairman.

(Signed.) ELIZABETH F. PARKER,
Secretary.

APPENDICES.

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APPENDIX I.

FINANCE.

BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY,
AUDITING DEPARTMENT, February 1, 1899.

To the Trustees:

GENTLEMEN, — The undersigned herewith presents a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Library Department for the financial year commencing February 1, 1898, and ending January 31, 1899; also a statement concerning the trust and other funds, statements covering special appropriations, and a statement of expenditures on account of the branches for the twelve years ending 1898-99.

Respectfully,

A. A. NICHOLS,
Auditor.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1897-98 . . .	\$356 89	
Appropriation, 1898-99 . . .	245,000 00	
Transfer by City Auditor, January 31, 1899	1,498 98	
	<hr/>	\$246,855 87
Income from Trust funds:		
Balance from 1897-98 . . .	\$4,868 00	
During the year	11,306 67	
	<hr/>	16,174 67
London accounts:		
Balance in hands of J. S. Morgan & Co., February 1, 1898:		
Trust funds income \$14,628 19		
City appropriation, \$12,573 92		
Interest, 311 39		
	<hr/>	12,885 31
During the year:		
Interest	460 18	
	<hr/>	\$27,973 68
Balance in hands of Baring Bros. & Co., February 1, 1898 . . .	72 75	
	<hr/>	28,046 43
<i>Carried forward</i>		\$291,076 97

<i>Brought forward</i>		\$291,076 97
Donations :		
From W. C. Todd, unexpended		
February 1, 1898	\$310 04	
From Woman's Education Association,		
unexpended February 1,		
1898	1 87	
From Boston Numismatic Society,	300 00	
From Elizabeth Lewis :		
Unexpended Feb-		
ruary 1, 1898	\$8 50	
During the year	200 26	
	<hr/>	208 76
From sundry sources for the pur-		
chase of photographs :		
Unexpended February 1, 1898	85 21	
From Old South Church Society	30 00	
From Lilian Whiting	25 00	
	<hr/>	960 88
Exchange account : lost books, sales of duplicates,		
etc. :		
Balance from 1897-98	\$1,036 42	
During the year	335 36	
	<hr/>	1,371 78
Interest on bank deposit		1,600 61
		<hr/>
		\$295,010 24

EXPENDITURES.

General library accounts, including		
the cost of maintaining branches :		
Salaries :		
General administra-		
tion	\$128,109 74	
Sunday and evening		
force	17,166 98	
	<hr/>	\$145,276 72
Books :		
City appropriation	\$17,197 33	
Income from Trust		
Funds	11,837 71	
	<hr/>	29,035 04
Periodicals	5,900 06	
Newspapers :		
Income from Todd		
Fund	\$1,836 40	
Balance from 1897-98,	310 04	
	<hr/>	2,146 44
	<hr/>	
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$182,358 26	\$295,010 24

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<i>Brought forward</i> . . .	\$182,358 26	\$295,010 24
Binding :		
Salaries . . .	\$12,607 57	
Stock . . .	1,499 48	
Equipment . . .	419 66	
Contract work	\$2,918 46	
Contract work, (British patent specifications.)	369 44	
	<hr/> 3,287 90	
		17,814 61
Printing :		
Salaries . . .	\$4,806 19	
Stock . . .	2,601 24	
Equipment . . .	1,068 02	
Contract work . . .	1,547 31	
	<hr/> 10,022 76	
Furniture and fixtures . . .	5,931 74	
Gas . . .	1,825 14	
Electric lighting . . .	1,968 74	
Cleaning . . .	7,404 85	
Small supplies . . .	2,416 13	
Stationery . . .	2,023 91	
Rents : Branch Libraries and Read- ing-rooms . . .	5,600 00	
Fuel . . .	6,789 78	
Repairs : stock and contract work,	7,079 41	
Freights and cartage . . .	751 66	
Transportation between Central Li- brary, Branches and Delivery Stations . . .	3,573 17	
Delivery stations, service . . .	4,030 40	
Water-rates . . .	1,718 60	
Telephone service . . .	334 60	
Postage and telegrams . . .	1,054 52	
Typewriting . . .	261 83	
Travelling expenses . . .	495 90	
Advertising . . .	326 75	
Examination of accounts . . .	300 00	
Insurance . . .	135 00	
Grounds . . .	2 40	
Books : E. Lewis gift . . .	208 75	
Books : Old South Church Society gift . . .	30 00	
Books for West End Branch : Woman's Education Association gift . . .	1 87	
Books : Boston Numismatic Society gift . . .	62 87	
	<hr/>	
<i>Carried forward</i> . . .	\$264,523 65	\$295,010 24

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$264,523 65	\$295,010 24
Photographs, subscription gift	43 00	
Exchange account:		
Refunded for books returned	13 39	
	<hr/>	264,580 04
Balance		<u>\$30,430 20</u>

The balance is made up of the following items, viz.:

Cash in City Treasury:		
Income from Trust Funds		\$7,903 26
Cash on deposit in London:		
In hands of J. S. Morgan & Co.:		
Trust Funds	\$9,473 12	
General Funds	9,717 72	
Photograph Fund	42 21	
	<hr/>	\$19,233 05
In hands of Baring Bros. & Co.:		
General Funds	72 75	
	<hr/>	19,305 80
Cash on deposit with New England Trust Co.:		
Unexpended of donations carried to account of 1899-1900:		
Boston Numismatic Society	\$237 13	
Lilian Whiting	25 00	
Elizabeth Lewis	01	
	<hr/>	262 14
Exchange account: lost books, etc.		1,358 39
Interest on bank deposit		1,600 61
		<hr/>
		<u>\$30,430 20</u>

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Comparative statement for fiscal years ending January 31, 1896, 1897 and 1898.

	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.
Salaries: General administration	\$93,904 80	\$112,004 21	\$119,696 26
" Sunday and evening force	11,180 60	17,558 07	17,386 11
Binding: Salaries	10,626 87	11,847 64	11,960 66
" Stock	2,406 14	1,504 61	1,623 17
" Contract work	1,718 54	1,490 72	3,602 11
" Equipment		488 75	296 58
Books	18,321 86	25,040 32	26,486 88
Periodicals	5,307 49	6,049 10	6,435 76
Furniture and fixtures	8,428 84	1,195 78	1,871 42
Gas	1,729 76	1,790 90	1,673 58
Electric lighting and power	4,758 42	1,576 85	1,991 08
Water-rates	595 00	1,374 50	1,455 80
Telephone service	480 11	390 72	355 45
Expense: Miscellaneous	3,894 54	1,473 76	856 33
" Cleaning	3,870 55	4,612 68	5,424 92
Printing: Equipment	5,300 00	2,774 89	4,100 97
" Stock	1,012 92	4,301 64	1,837 97
" Contract work	4,960 44	1,517 10	1,881 97
" Salaries	485 00	3,761 99	4,651 67
Stationery and Library supplies	3,200 40	3,986 26	3,973 96
Fuel	6,192 07	6,585 01	9,133 08
Rents	6,285 48	4,894 00	5,215 00
Repairs: Stock and contract work	1,987 29	3,689 24	2,507 58
" Salaries	2,689 00	2,049 68	2,411 42
Transportation, postage, etc.	3,769 25	1,969 13	3,086 36
Transportation between Central Library and Branches	3,285 43	3,562 25	3,491 04
Rent of deliveries, including Custodians' services	2,347 25	3,106 38	3,990 85
	\$208,608 05	\$231,525 33	\$246,541 79

NOTE. — Gross expenditure for the year 1895-96 includes payments made from the balance of the special appropriation for "moving expenses, \$6,841.12," distributed among the appropriate items, and payments from the revenue from the old Library Building for the West End and Mattapan Branches.

The cost of maintaining the branches makes part of the general items of the several appropriations:

Cost of Branches, 1895-96	\$47,997 23
Cost of Branches, 1896-97	62,785 39
Cost of Branches, 1897-98	56,282 49

Amount expended for books is for bills paid out of the city appropriation only.

The amount expended for books and binding (not included above) paid from trust funds and city money in hands of London bankers:

For 1895-96	\$9,516 29
For 1896-97	9,590 82
For 1897-98	7,807 78

GENERAL APPROPRIATION.

Expenditure for fiscal year ending January 31, 1899.

	1898-99.
Salaries: General administration	\$128,109 74
" Sunday and evening force	17,186 98
Binding: Salaries	12,607 57
" Stock	1,499 48
" Contract work	2,918 46
" Equipment	419 66
Books	14,188 45
Periodicals	5,896 24
Furniture and fixtures	5,981 74
Gas	1,825 14
Electric lighting	1,968 74
* Supplies	2,416 13
Cleaning	7,404 85
Printing: Equipment	1,068 02
" Stock	2,601 24
" Contract work	1,547 31
" Salaries	4,806 19
* Stationery	2,022 91
Typewriting	261 88
Fuel	6,789 78
Rents	5,600 00
Repairs	7,079 41
Freights and cartage	751 66
Transportation between Central Library and Branches	3,578 17
Delivery stations	4,030 40
Travelling expenses	495 90
Postage and telegrams	1,054 52
Water rates	1,718 60
Telephone service	334 60
Examination of accounts	300 00
Advertising	325 75
Insurance	135 00
Grounds	2 40
	\$246,855 87

The cost of maintaining the branches makes part of the general items of the several appropriations:

Cost of Branches, 1898-99 \$59,913 71

The amount expended for newspapers, books, and binding (not included above) paid from trust funds and city money in hands of London bankers:

For 1898-99 \$8,782 84

The amount expended for books (not included above) paid from trust funds in hands of City Treasurer \$8,271 41

* These items cannot be compared with the similar items of the three preceding years, because the classification has been changed to agree with that adopted by the City Auditor.

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SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Library Building, Dartmouth street, balance of appropriation, February 1, 1898	\$76,430 62
Appropriation, May 27, 1898 (Chapter 475, Acts 1898)	100,000 00
	<u>\$176,430 62</u>

Payments on account of alterations :

Masonry, Connery & Wentworth	\$44,291 85
Iron work, Smith & Lovett	6,487 00
Ventilating system, Lynch & Woodward	6,053 44
Electrical work, Public Buildings Department	3,541 03
Architects' services, A. S. Jenney and T. A. Fox	1,871 41
Expert service in heating and ventilating, S. Homer Woodbridge	948 95
Decorating, Elmer E. Garnsey	1,550 00
Plumbing, Isaac N. Tucker	719 10
Carriers, Lamson Store Service Company	670 00
One hand lift	125 00
Carpentry and small items	56 84
	<u>66,314 62</u>
Balance, February 1, 1899	<u>\$110,116 00</u>

The balance will be required to settle outstanding contracts and claims.

Library Building, furnishing, balance of city appropriation, February 1, 1898	\$15,730 01
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Payments on account :

Mellish & Byfield Company	\$1,415 40
J. H. Pray, Sons & Co.	513 36
A. B. & E. L. Shaw, designs for furniture	242 77
Foster Brothers	115 00
Sundry small accounts	107 27
	<u>2,393 80</u>
Balance, February 1, 1899	<u>\$13,336 21</u>

Branch Library, Broadway Extension, improvements, balance of appropriation, February 1, 1898	\$3,989 56
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Payments on account :

Books	\$457 48
Periodicals	31 05
Furniture and fixtures	36 65
Repairs	7 50
	<u>532 68</u>
Balance, February 1, 1899	<u>\$3,456 88</u>

LONDON ACCOUNTS.

	Balances from 1897-98.	Interest, 1897-99.	Total Credits.	Expendi- tures, 1898-99.	Balances to 1899-1900.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
J. S. Morgan & Co.,	5,597 18 11	.....	5,756 15 8	1,807 3 6	3,949 13 2
J. S. Morgan & Co., Interest .....	.....	159 1 9			
J. S. Morgan & Co., photograph fund,	8 13 11	.....	8 13 11	.....	8 13 11
Baring Bros. & Co.,	15 0 0	.....	15 0 0	.....	15 0 0
	5,621 7 10	159 1 9	5,780 9 7	1,807 3 6	3,973 6 1

GENERAL EXHIBIT OF APPROPRIATIONS, SOURCES OF REVENUE AND OTHER FUNDS.

	Balances from 1897-98.	Revenue Received dur- ing the year 1898-99.	Appropriations.	Total Credits.	Expenditures for 1898-99.	Balances to 1898-1899.
Library Building, Dartmouth street.....	\$76,430 62	.....	\$100,000 00	\$176,430 62	\$66,314 62	\$110,116 00
Library Building, furnishing.....	15,730 01	.....	.....	15,730 01	2,393 90	13,336 21
General Library.....	326 89	.....	246,408 98	246,408 97	*246,855 87	.....
Trust Funds Income.....	4,863 00	.....	.....	16,174 87	8,871 41	7,908 26
Branch Library, Broadway Extension, improvements.....	3,989 56	11,306 67	.....	3,168 54	.....	3,456 88
Bust of General Walker.....	2,500 00	.....	.....	2,400 00	532 68	1,000 00
Exchange Account; lost books, sales of duplicates, etc.....	1,082 42	.....	.....	1,453 39	.....	1,356 89
W. C. Todd.....	310 84	321 97	.....	310 84	.....	.....
Woman's Education Association.....	1 87	.....	.....	1 87	310 04	.....
Fine Arts Fund (photographs).....	82 91	.....	.....	82 91	43 90	42 21
Elizabeth Lewis.....	8 50	200 26	.....	208 76	208 75	.....
Boston Numismatic Society.....	300 00	.....	.....	300 00	62 87	237 13
Old South Church Society.....	.....	30 00	.....	30 00	30 00	.....
Lillian Whiting.....	.....	25 00	.....	25 00	.....	25 00

*The above sum (\$346,855.87) does not include the expenditures for books and binding made by draft on J. S. Morgan & Co., London, amounting to \$8,782.94.

RECEIPTS FROM FINES, SALES OF CATALOGUES, LOST CARDS, ETC.

	1898-99.
Fines.....	\$4,681 05
Catalogues.....	293 82
Lost cards.....	38 45
Rent from Old Library Building.....	500 00
Storage of bicycles.....	26 98
Money found.....	2 81
Total amount paid to City Collector.....	\$5,589 08

STATEMENT OF TRUST FUNDS.

GIVER.	Principal.	Balances from 1897-'98.	Income, 1898-'99.	Total Credits.	Expenditures, 1898-'99.	Balances to 1899-1900.	Over- expended.
1. Joshua Bates.....	\$50,000 00	\$2,038 16	\$2,000 00	\$4,038 16	\$2,506 08	\$1,532 08	
2. Jonathan Phillips.....	30,000 00	3,354 82	1,600 00	4,954 82	2,379 96	2,574 86	
3. Abbott Lawrence.....	10,000 00	2,218 36	600 00	2,818 36	1,462 89	1,355 47	
4. Charlotte Harris.....	10,000 00	4,888 21	400 00	5,288 21	1,470 03	3,818 18	
5. Henry L. Pierce.....	5,000 00	379 74	200 00	579 74	162 40	427 34	
6. Mary P. Townsend.....	4,000 00	673 07	200 00	873 07	190 75	682 32	
7. George Ticknor.....	4,000 00	.....	160 00	146 73	30 34	116 39	
8. John P. Bigelow.....	1,000 00	240 00	40 00	320 00	70 54	249 46	
9. Franklin Club.....	1,000 00	86 83	40 00	126 83	3 71	123 12	
10. Samuel A. Green.....	2,000 00	296 57	95 00	391 57	150 40	241 17	
11. South Boston.....	100 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	* \$31 03
12. Arthur Scholfield.....	50,000 00	3,549 34	2,472 00	6,021 34	2,744 59	3,276 65	
13. Joseph Scholfield.....	11,800 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14. Thomas B. Harris.....	1,000 00	121 85	40 00	161 85	.....	161 85	
15. Daniel Treadwell.....	6,950 00	242 87	513 00	755 87	338 51	397 36	
16. Edward Lawrence.....	500 00	55 11	20 00	75 11	75 11	
17. J. Ingersoll Bowditch.....	10,000 00	1,018 21	350 00	1,368 21	188 39	1,179 82	

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18. Family of Charles Groely Loring.....	500 00	40 00	20 00	60 00	60 00
19. Charles Mead.....	2,500 00	100 00	100 00	200 00	200 00
20. Victorine T. Ariz.....	10,000 00	118 15	400 00	513 15	59 21	453 94
21. Papyrus Club.....	1,000 00	20 00	40 00	60 00	.....	60 00
22. Twentieth Regiment Association.....	5,000 00	.....	120 46	120 46	69 91	120 55
23. William C. Todd.....	50,000 00	.....	1,787 21	1,787 21	1,388 40	49 19
24. Caleb D. Bradlee.....	1,000 00	.....	35 00	35 00	.....	35 00
	\$267,350 00	\$19,496 19	\$11,906 67	\$30,785 59	\$12,674 11	\$17,160 67
						\$80 22

* Over-expenditure of previous years \$35.08 less amount of income for 1898.

EXPENDITURES FOR BRANCHES AND DELIVERY STATIONS, 1887-99.

	1887-88.	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.	1891-92. 9 mos.	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.
EAST BOSTON.												
Salaries	\$3,148 96	\$2,877 60	\$2,648 15	\$2,643 83	\$1,878 10	\$2,588 49	\$2,528 49	\$2,835 31	\$2,814 68	\$2,891 92	\$2,849 07	\$3,099 06
Books	422 12	384 28	338 22	255 55	417 68	513 79	288 87	359 85	842 14	920 38	768 00	846 61
Expense	684 14	688 73	483 02	999 90	604 96	757 05	764 88	681 15	609 45	700 53	713 06	843 69
	\$4,255 22	\$3,950 61	\$3,470 39	\$3,899 28	\$2,900 74	\$3,859 33	\$3,582 19	\$3,816 31	\$4,286 27	\$4,521 83	\$4,325 13	\$4,789 35
SOUTH BOSTON.												
Salaries	\$3,516 63	\$3,304 05	\$3,057 13	\$2,904 60	\$2,306 95	\$3,389 11	\$2,986 30	\$3,271 93	\$3,249 45	\$3,498 40	\$3,628 70	\$3,681 64
Books	763 17	774 98	642 08	448 46	707 85	783 56	573 23	771 37	898 75	1,819 38	873 32	876 70
Expense	518 60	3,620 53	2,743 16	3,172 57	3,102 20	3,054 57	3,328 14	3,142 26	3,624 76	3,904 63	3,178 25	3,102 49
	\$4,798 40	\$7,690 51	\$6,447 37	\$6,525 63	\$6,117 00	\$7,227 24	\$6,887 57	\$7,186 56	\$7,772 96	\$9,122 41	\$7,678 27	\$7,660 83
ROXBURY.												
Salaries	\$3,724 58	\$3,514 01	\$3,336 47	\$3,154 69	\$2,301 35	\$3,382 30	\$3,121 85	\$3,262 95	\$3,161 55	\$3,447 72	\$3,475 98	\$3,380 47
Books	726 40	675 76	457 34	452 94	442 75	774 26	386 77	494 49	658 42	1,382 09	486 75	9 05
Expense	1,176 32	2,939 52	2,434 61	2,725 27	2,675 43	2,310 20	2,987 53	2,526 12	3,000 15	2,678 90	2,971 12	2,745 09
	\$5,627 30	\$7,129 29	\$6,228 42	\$6,332 90	\$5,419 53	\$6,466 76	\$6,476 15	\$6,288 56	\$6,820 12	\$7,453 71	\$6,883 85	\$6,134 61
CHARLESTOWN.												
Salaries	\$2,848 01	\$2,654 77	\$2,623 57	\$2,738 52	\$1,950 18	\$2,808 83	\$2,201 90	\$2,596 88	\$2,397 53	\$3,008 51	\$3,845 22	\$2,809 99
Books	733 84	673 11	583 39	604 78	375 17	689 15	386 00	423 64	835 91	1,256 10	646 11	520 41
Expense	509 38	924 80	871 99	868 86	872 93	974 99	1,105 25	786 05	913 62	1,035 78	865 24	913 31
	\$4,491 23	\$4,251 68	\$4,079 95	\$4,212 16	\$3,198 28	\$4,373 87	\$3,683 25	\$3,806 57	\$4,147 05	\$5,300 39	\$4,346 57	\$4,243 71

BRIGHTON.												
Salaries.....	\$1,713 84	\$1,513 30	\$1,592 55	\$1,592 90	\$1,134 87	\$1,758 88	\$1,687 77	\$1,572 00	\$1,908 00	\$2,040 75	\$2,117 97	\$2,980 38
Books.....	338 08	284 50	188 58	98 44	214 44	172 61	126 80	254 54	741 00	1,063 73	752 22	543 96
Expense.....	749 61	846 90	983 55	1,202 97	1,111 39	778 21	1,049 23	594 80	562 89	1,218 05	844 74	1,986 18
	\$2,800 97	\$2,724 79	\$2,754 63	\$2,893 11	\$2,460 70	\$2,708 70	\$2,863 80	\$2,711 84	\$3,281 89	\$4,322 53	\$3,714 93	\$4,790 51
DORCHESTER.												
Salaries.....	\$2,840 83	\$2,632 80	\$2,344 51	\$2,129 81	\$1,937 19	\$1,982 46	\$1,918 94	\$2,067 41	\$2,211 16	\$2,691 33	\$2,653 81	\$2,767 01
Books.....	784 69	673 10	425 95	298 67	398 22	492 04	331 33	464 05	806 05	1,310 70	704 82	580 92
Expense.....	603 96	804 76	986 74	1,015 23	557 83	703 60	632 50	488 00	700 25	687 57	661 08	634 39
	\$4,179 48	\$4,100 66	\$3,737 20	\$3,438 21	\$2,571 17	\$3,058 10	\$2,352 77	\$3,019 46	\$3,717 44	\$4,689 60	\$4,079 21	\$3,962 32
SOUTH END.												
Salaries.....	\$2,526 84	\$2,301 87	\$2,246 81	\$2,186 75	\$1,544 40	\$2,351 98	\$1,989 93	\$2,127 27	\$2,239 76	\$2,344 25	\$2,352 67	\$2,405 67
Books.....	451 90	500 23	435 78	331 87	514 50	733 67	538 01	467 74	574 76	1,254 04	738 20	534 24
Expense.....	385 97	900 14	908 79	602 48	910 43	533 51	1,128 33	684 28	537 32	465 21	689 96	911 36
	\$3,364 71	\$3,702 23	\$3,639 38	\$3,111 08	\$2,969 03	\$3,619 11	\$3,536 32	\$3,279 29	\$3,351 84	\$4,063 50	\$3,780 83	\$3,851 27
JAMAICA PLAIN.												
Salaries.....	\$2,028 35	\$1,854 50	\$1,834 65	\$1,675 13	\$1,270 30	\$1,974 97	\$1,677 67	\$1,943 57	\$2,023 52	\$2,099 95	\$2,131 85	\$2,166 42
Books.....	543 25	601 69	365 57	374 05	589 54	687 83	263 37	349 96	732 58	1,174 27	763 87	605 58
Expense.....	1,609 97	386 55	894 67	888 17	774 14	795 11	1,023 75	589 10	702 25	836 36	641 80	837 94
	\$4,180 57	\$3,344 74	\$3,094 89	\$2,937 35	\$2,633 98	\$3,457 91	\$2,964 79	\$3,132 63	\$3,449 35	\$4,110 43	\$3,736 03	\$3,599 94
NORTH END.												
Salaries.....	\$1,426 31	\$1,236 00	\$1,264 00	\$1,416 50	\$1,025 75	\$1,351 50	\$1,389 00	\$1,559 41	(6 mos.) \$608 88			
Books.....	28 80	81 10	77 27	85 03	253 10	128 06	148 24	122 35	11 38			
Expense.....	427 44	387 77	1,154 60	1,025 64	1,290 02	665 59	793 02	618 19	412 59			
	\$1,882 55	\$2,364 87	\$2,515 87	\$2,527 17	\$2,667 87	\$2,125 76	\$2,289 26	\$2,289 95	\$1,093 80			

EXPENDITURES FOR BRANCHES AND DELIVERY STATIONS. — Continued.

	1887-88.	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.	1891-92. (9 mos.)	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.
LOWER MILLS.												
Salaries	\$415 11	\$373 00	\$343 00	\$274 00	\$210 00	\$312 00	\$288 00	\$313 00	\$386 00	\$453 67	\$448 00	\$448 00
Books and Periodicals	64 00	64 85	53 73	52 71	88 57	56 21	71 81	53 65	214 36	75 55	65 59	67 05
Expense	329 74	880 17	907 32	205 25	963 20	254 46	572 74	460 25	318 38	336 22	256 28	427 24
	\$808 85	\$767 92	\$704 04	\$631 96	\$531 77	\$622 67	\$862 55	\$825 90	\$968 74	\$924 44	\$769 87	\$942 29
MATTAPAN.												
Salaries	\$189 61	\$180 00	\$120 00	\$25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$305 86	\$424 17	\$448 00	\$448 00
Books and Periodicals .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	264 95	77 25	81 15
Expense	160 11	180 08	170 59	276 31	\$226 07	\$341 32	\$364 40	\$359 41	436 64	356 98	325 13	364 83
	\$289 72	\$310 08	\$290 59	\$301 31	\$226 07	\$341 32	\$364 40	\$359 41	\$732 50	\$1,046 10	\$880 38	\$838 98
NEPONSET.												
Salaries	\$189 61	\$130 00	\$130 00	\$100 00	\$87 56	\$130 00	\$97 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Expense	206 89	243 47	248 65	224 80	124 45	268 15	184 05	\$333 35	\$320 34	\$390 81	\$372 86	\$344 04
	\$346 50	\$373 47	\$368 65	\$324 80	\$212 01	\$398 15	\$281 85	\$333 35	\$320 34	\$390 81	\$372 86	\$344 04
ROSLINDALE.												
Salaries	\$96 19	\$91 00	\$64 00	\$45 46	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Expense	154 40	148 45	141 40	288 27	\$287 04	\$339 32	\$371 80	\$459 83	\$438 18	\$604 97	\$774 17	\$725 46
	\$250 59	\$239 45	\$225 40	\$333 73	\$287 04	\$339 32	\$371 80	\$459 83	\$438 18	\$604 97	\$774 17	\$725 46
WEST ROXBURY.												
Salaries	\$146 88	\$131 11	\$124 63	\$190 63	\$78 50	\$140 80	\$326 50	\$388 97	\$377 00	\$588 40	\$763 45	\$869 78
Books and Periodicals	35 00	17 60	454 20	1,252 19	257 94	188 78

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Expense.....	447 95	99 05	89 05	75 60	84 25	200 87	823 62	264 58	359 89	431 56	470 81	412 77
MOUNT BOWDOIN.	\$594 33	\$228 16	\$213 68	\$196 22	\$162 75	\$247 17	\$685 12	\$691 15	\$1,190 89	\$2,282 15	\$1,490 70	\$1,466 29
Salaries.....	\$287 61	\$298 22	\$568 00	\$376 00	\$901 25	\$266 25	\$276 00	\$204 00	\$323 00	\$433 88	\$448 00	\$448 00
Periodicals.....	43 90	132 31	123 79	108 13	78 07	80 67	87 98	68 20	255 31	87 15	78 45	75 40
Expense.....	136 12	448 14	511 21	480 95	346 70	465 29	479 00	423 79	427 36	514 78	524 14	503 18
ALLSTON.	\$467 68	\$978 67	\$1,233 00	\$865 07	\$696 02	\$841 11	\$942 98	\$785 99	\$1,004 67	\$1,055 31	\$1,045 59	\$1,026 58
Salaries.....			\$235 30	\$48 00		\$380 60	\$395 90	\$381 21	\$403 03	\$496 56	\$510 47	\$467 60
Expense.....			114 16	286 46	\$376 30	\$380 60	\$395 90	\$391 21	\$403 03	\$466 56	\$510 47	\$467 60
ASHMONT.			\$348 46	\$334 46	\$276 30	\$243 71	\$379 16	\$371 48	\$359 00	\$396 88	\$363 91	\$461 09
Expense.....				\$220 44	\$193 47							
DORCHESTER STATION.												
Expense.....				\$100 33	\$204 24	\$255 60	\$322 39	\$328 16	\$319 41	\$488 74	\$537 91	\$476 97
BIRD STREET.												
Expense.....						\$398 14	\$317 47	\$329 96	\$319 52	\$368 47	\$375 24	\$309 17
BLUE HILL AVENUE.												
Expense.....						\$202 28	\$381 09	\$333 07	\$336 25	\$620 58	\$552 24	\$552 20
HARVARD STREET.												
Expense.....						\$68 63	\$46 40	\$329 48				
CRESCENT AVENUE.												
Expense.....						\$53 58	\$326 85	\$329 48	\$463 80	\$398 15	\$476 08	\$399 61

	(3 mos.)	\$88 30	516 05
BOYLSTON STATION.			
Expense.....	
SCHOOL-HOUSES.			
Expense.	47 53	93 25
ENGINE-HOUSES.			
Expense.....	71 41	98 10
UNION PARK ST.			
Salaries.....		(5 weeks) \$48 75
Expense.....		26
			<u>\$49 01</u>
			<u>\$60,446 89</u>

This total covers the payments amounting to \$532.88 made from the special appropriation for "Broadway Extension Improvements."

EXPENDITURES FOR BRANCHES AND DELIVERY STATIONS.—*Concluded.*
Summary.

	1887-88.	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.	1891-92. (9 mos.)	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.
East Boston...	\$4,235 32	\$3,960 61	\$3,470 89	\$3,569 28	\$2,900 74	\$3,859 33	\$3,552 19	\$3,816 31	\$4,566 27	\$4,531 53	\$4,335 13	\$4,780 35
South Boston .	4,768 40	7,699 51	6,447 87	6,525 63	6,117 00	7,327 14	6,367 67	7,185 56	7,773 96	9,123 41	7,678 27	7,690 83
Roxbury	5,637 30	7,159 29	6,268 42	6,323 90	5,419 53	6,466 76	6,476 15	6,263 56	6,820 12	7,458 71	6,883 85	6,134 61
Charlestown ..	4,491 23	4,321 68	4,079 05	4,212 16	3,198 28	4,273 87	3,686 25	3,906 57	4,147 06	5,900 39	4,846 57	4,243 71
Brighton	2,900 97	2,724 79	2,734 63	2,893 11	2,460 70	3,709 70	2,892 90	3,711 34	3,231 89	4,332 53	3,714 98	4,790 51
Dorchester....	4,179 49	4,100 66	3,737 20	3,438 21	2,571 17	3,058 10	2,892 77	3,019 46	3,717 44	4,689 60	4,059 21	3,982 33
South End	3,264 71	3,703 23	3,639 33	3,111 06	2,969 63	3,619 11	3,536 32	3,279 29	3,351 84	4,003 50	3,780 83	3,851 27
Jamaica Plain	4,180 57	3,244 74	3,064 89	2,887 35	2,633 88	3,437 91	2,964 79	3,133 63	3,449 35	4,110 43	3,786 52	3,568 94
North End	1,882 55	2,364 87	2,515 87	2,537 17	2,567 87	2,125 75	2,269 26	2,269 95	1,089 80 { (6 mos.)			
Lower Mills...	808 85	767 02	704 04	631 96	531 77	623 67	563 55	595 90	868 74	924 44	769 87	943 29
Mattapan	299 73	310 06	290 59	301 31	226 07	341 33	394 40	359 41	732 50	1,046 10	880 38	868 98
Neponset.....	346 50	373 47	368 65	334 80	312 01	388 15	231 55	333 35	320 34	390 81	373 86	344 04
Roslindale	250 59	239 45	226 40	333 73	267 04	339 33	371 80	459 83	438 18	604 97	774 17	725 46
West Roxbury	594 33	223 16	213 68	196 23	162 75	347 17	635 12	621 15	1,190 89	2,332 15	1,490 70	1,468 29
Mt. Bowdoin..	457 63	878 67	1,233 00	865 07	626 03	841 11	942 98	788 99	1,004 67	1,035 31	1,045 59	1,026 53
Allston.....	.....	.....	849 46	334 46	276 30	390 60	395 50	381 21	408 03	466 56	510 47	467 60
Ashmont.....	.....	.....	.....	290 44	198 47	245 71	379 16	371 43	339 00	336 88	363 91	461 09
Dorch. Station	100 33	204 84	265 60	323 89	338 16	319 41	438 74	537 91	476 97
Bird Street....	269 14	317 47	329 98	319 52	369 47	375 24	309 17

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Blue Hill Ave.,	302 25	361 09	332 07	336 25	630 88	552 94	532 20
Harvard St.,	68 63	46 40	329 48				
Crescent Ave.,	53 58	326 85	329 48	463 80	338 15	478 08	339 61
No. Brighton..		113 51	1,043 85	1,074 95	1,028 91	1,108 37	1,024 47
West End.....	17 60			984 62 { (4 mos.)	7,968 68 { (9 mos.)	7,553 08	7,343 79
Upham's Cor.,					401 06 { (9 mos.)	673 09	643 77
Broadway Ex.,					1,348 36 { (8 mos.)	2,292 91	2,334 97
Warren St.,					879 83 { (8 mos.)	677 18	649 56
Rox. Crossing,						168 34 { (11 mos.)	606 80
Boylston Sta.,						98 50 { (3 mos.)	516 05
School Houses,						47 53	58 25
Eng. Houses..						71 41	98 10
Union Park St.,							49 01 { (5 weeks),
Total							\$60,446 83

LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS.

BIGELOW FUND.—This is a donation made by the late JOHN P. BIGELOW, in August, 1850, when Mayor of the city.

The income from this fund is to be appropriated to the purchase of books for the increase of the library.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$1,000 00

Payable to the Chairman of the Committee on the Public Library for the time being.

BATES FUND.—This is a donation made by the late JOSHUA BATES of London, in March, 1853.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$50,000 00

"The income only of this fund is to be, each and every year, expended in the purchase of such books of permanent value and authority as may be found most needful and most useful." Payable to the Mayor of the city for the time being.

BOWDITCH FUND.—This is the bequest of J. INGERSOLL BOWDITCH. Invested in one City of Boston Three and one-half per cent.

Bond, for \$10,000 00

The whole income in each and every year to be expended in the purchase of books of permanent value and authority in mathematics and astronomy.

PHILLIPS FUND.—This is a donation made by the late JONATHAN PHILLIPS of Boston, in April, 1853.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$10,000 00

The interest on this fund is to be used exclusively for the purchase of books for said library.

Also a bequest by the same gentleman in his will, dated September 20, 1849.

Invested in one City of Boston Six per cent. Bond, for . . . \$20,000 00

The interest on which is to be annually devoted to the maintenance of a Free Public Library.

Both of these items are payable to the Mayor of the city for the time being.

ABBOTT LAWRENCE FUND.—This is the bequest of the late ABBOTT LAWRENCE of Boston.

Invested in one City of Boston Six per cent. Bond, for . . . \$10,000 00

The interest on this fund is to be exclusively appropriated for the purchase of books for the said library, having a permanent value.

EDWARD LAWRENCE FUND.—This is the bequest of the late EDWARD LAWRENCE of Charlestown. The following clause from his will explains its purpose :

"To hold and apply the income, and so much of the principal as they may choose, to the purchase of special books of reference to be kept and used only at the Charlestown Branch of said Public Library."

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$500 00

PIERCE FUND.—This is a donation made by HENRY L. PIERCE, Mayor of the city, November 29, 1873, and accepted by the City Council December 27, 1873.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$5,000 00

TOWNSEND FUND.—This is a donation from William Minot and William Minot, Jr., executors of the will of MARY P. TOWNSEND, of Boston, at whose disposal she left a certain portion of her estate in trust, for such charitable and public institutions as they may think meritorious. Said executors accordingly selected the Public Library of the City of Boston as one of such institutions, and attached the following conditions to the legacy: "The income only shall, in each and every year, be expended in the purchase of books for the use of the library; each of which books shall have been published in some one edition at least five years at the time it may be so purchased."

Invested in one City of Boston Five per cent. Bond, for . . . \$4,000 00

TICKNOR BEQUEST.—By the will of the late GEORGE TICKNOR of Boston he gave to the City of Boston, on the death of his wife, all his books and manuscripts in the Spanish and Portuguese languages, about four thousand volumes, and also the sum of four thousand dollars. After the receipt of said sum, the city is required to spend not less than one thousand dollars in every five years during the twenty-five years next succeeding (i.e., the income of four thousand dollars, at the rate of five per cent. per annum), in the purchase of books in the Spanish and Portuguese languages and literature. At the end of twenty-five years the income of the said sum is to be expended annually, in the purchase of books of permanent value, either in the Spanish or Portuguese language, or in such other languages as may be deemed expedient by those having charge of the library. These books, bequeathed or purchased, are always to be freely accessible for reference or study, but are not to be loaned for use outside of the library building. If these bequests are not accepted by the city, and the trust and conditions faithfully executed, the books, manuscripts and money are to be given to the President and Fellows of Harvard College.

In order that the city might receive the immediate benefit of this contribution, Anna Ticknor, widow of the donor, relinquished her right to retain during her life the books and manuscripts, and placed them under the control of the city, the City Council having previously accepted the bequests, in accordance with the terms and conditions of said will, and the Trustees of the Public Library received said bequests on behalf of the city, and made suitable arrangements for the care and custody of the books and manuscripts.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$4,000 00

FRANKLIN CLUB FUND.—This is a donation made in June, 1863, by a literary association of young men in Boston, who, at the dissolution of the association, authorized its trustees, Thomas Minns, John J. French and J. Franklin Reed, to dispose of the funds on hand in such a manner as to them should seem judicious. They elected to bestow it on the Public Library, attaching to it the following conditions: "In trust that the income, but the income only, shall, year by year, be expended in the purchase of books of permanent value for the use of the free Public Library of the city, and as far as practicable, of such a character as to be of special interest to young men." The Trustees expressed a preference for books relative to Government and Political Economy.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$1,000 00

TREADWELL FUND.—By the will of the late DANIEL TREADWELL, of Cambridge, late Rumford Professor in Harvard College, who died February 27, 1872, he left the residue of his estate, after payment of debts, legacies, etc., in trust to his executors, to hold during the life of his wife for her benefit, and after her decease to divide the residue then remaining in the hands of the trustees as therein provided, and convey one-fifth part thereof to the Trustees of the Public Library in the City of Boston.

CHARLES GREELY LORING MEMORIAL FUND.—This is a donation from the family of Charles Greely Loring, the income of which is to be expended for the purchase of books for the West End Branch.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$500 00

CHARLES MEAD PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUND.—Received from Charles Mead, executor of the estate of Charles Mead, the amount of legacy of the late Charles Mead, to constitute the "CHARLES MEAD PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUND," for the promotion of the objects of the Public Library, in such manner as the government of said library shall deem best, and so far as the government shall deem consistent with the objects of the library, to be used for the benefit of the South Boston Branch Library.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$2,500 00

ARTZ FUND.—This is a donation made in November, 1896, by Miss VICTORINE THOMAS ARTZ of Chicago, the income "to be employed in the purchase of valuable, rare editions of the writings, either in verse or prose, of American and of foreign authors." These books are to be known as the "Longfellow Memorial Collection."

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$10,000 00

JOHN BOYLE O'REILLY MEMORIAL FUND.—Received from the members of the Papyrus Club, May, 1897. The income thereof is to be expended for the purchase of books in memory of their late member, JOHN BOYLE O'REILLY.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$1,000 00

TWENTIETH REGIMENT MEMORIAL FUND.—This is a donation made in April, 1897, by the Association of Officers of the Twentieth Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. It is to be used for the purchase of books of a military and patriotic character, to be placed in the alcove appropriated as a memorial of the Twentieth Regiment.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$5,000 00

TODD FUND.—This is a gift made in October, 1897, by Wm. C. TODD of New Hampshire. The income is to be expended annually in payment for such current newspapers of this and other countries as the board of officers for the time being having charge of the Public Library of the City of Boston, shall purchase.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$50,000 00

BRADLEE FUND.—A bequest of the late Rev. CALEB DAVIS BRADLEE to the Boston Public Library.

Invested in one City of Boston Three and one-half per cent.

Bond \$1,000 00

HENRY SARGENT CODMAN MEMORIAL FUND.—This is a contribution from the friends of the late Henry Sargent Codman to be used to perpetuate the memory of Mr. Codman by the purchase of books upon landscape gardening. It is the desire of the subscribers that a special book-plate shall be inserted in each one of the volumes purchased, identifying it as part of the memorial collection.

Cash in City Treasury, January 31, 1899 \$2,852 41

RECAPITULATION OF PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS.

Scholfield Fund	\$61,800 00
Bates Fund	50,000 00
Todd Fund	50,000 00
Phillips Fund	20,000 00
Phillips Fund	10,000 00
Bowditch Fund	10,000 00
Charlotte Harris Fund	10,000 00
Abbott Lawrence Fund	10,000 00
Treadwell Fund	10,487 89
Artz Fund	10,000 00
Twentieth Regiment Memorial Fund	5,000 00
Pierce Fund	5,000 00
Townsend Fund	4,000 00
Ticknor Fund	4,000 00
Charles Mead Fund	2,500 00
Green Fund	2,000 00
Bigelow Fund	1,000 00
Thomas B. Harris Fund	1,000 00
Franklin Club Fund	1,000 00
John Boyle O'Reilly Memorial Fund	1,000 00
Bradlee Fund	1,000 00
Edward Lawrence Fund	500 00
Charles Greely Loring Memorial Fund	500 00
South Boston Branch Library Trust Fund	100 00
Codman Memorial Fund	2,852 41

\$273,740 10

APPENDIX II.

EXTENT OF THE LIBRARY BY YEARS.

YEARS.	Total volumes in the Libraries.	YEARS.	Total volumes in the Libraries.	YEARS.	Total volumes in the Libraries.
1 1852-53	9,688	17 1868-69	152,796	33 1884-85	453,947
2 1853-54	16,321	18 1869-70	160,573	34 1885	460,996
3 1854-55	22,617	19 1870-71	179,350	35 1886	479,431
4 1855-56	28,080	20 1871-72	192,958	36 1887	492,956
5 1856-57	34,896	21 1872-73	209,456	37 1888	505,872
6 1857-58	70,851	22 1873-74	260,550	38 1889	520,506
7 1858-59	78,043	23 1874-75	276,913	39 1890	536,027
8 1859-60	85,031	24 1875-76	297,873	40 1891	556,233
9 1860-61	97,386	25 1876-77	312,010	41 1892	576,237
10 1861-62	105,084	26 1877-78	345,734	42 1893	597,152
11 1862-63	110,563	27 1878-79	360,963	43 1894	610,375
12 1863-64	116,934	28 1879-80	377,325	44 1895	628,297
13 1864-65	123,016	29 1880-81	390,962	45 1896-97	633,763
14 1865-66	130,678	30 1881-82	404,221	46 1897-98	698,868
15 1866-67	136,060	31 1882-83	422,116	47 1898-99	716,050
16 1867-68	144,092	32 1883-84	438,594		

VOLUMES IN LIBRARY AND BRANCHES, JANUARY 31, 1899,
ACCORDING TO LOCATION.

Central Library	535,687	Brighton	13,886
Duplicate room	15,125	Charlestown	31,966
	550,822	Dorchester	15,413
		East Boston	11,514
		Jamaica Plain	12,496
		South Boston	14,912
		South End	13,909
		West End	10,825
		West Roxbury	4,322
		Lower Mills (Station A)	88
		Mattapan (Station D)	96
		Mt. Bowdoin (Station F)	992
		North Brighton (Station L)	76
		Broadway Ext. (Station P)	1,582
Roxbury branch { Fellowes Athenaeum	19,461		
Collection owned by City.	13,396		
Total, Roxbury branch.	32,859		

APPENDIX III.

NET INCREASE OF THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS.

	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.
Bates Hall.....	11,857	13,518	15,306	16,499	20,493	32,491	} 11,821	20,273	26,579	20,680
Lower Hall.....	710	1's 50	1's 23	818	loss 455	746				
Duplicate room	830	419	2,355	1's 9,143	loss 542	1's 8,066	813	2,390	8,608	2,063
Brighton branch	130	91	167	96	23	292	107	1,217	276	1's 3,190
Charlestown branch..	1's 70	233	421	23	339	300	loss 16	1's 112	398	2,095
Dorchester branch ...	309	269	232	209	134	358	loss 73	1,415	159	1's 1,402
East Boston branch..	63	58	59	5	48	126	112	1,021	147	1's 1,478
Jamaica Plain branch	294	150	214	112	221	329	273	1,277	374	1's 1,286
¹ North End branch..	4	12	224	84	75	63	1's 1,861	.....	.....	.....
Roxbury branch	199	146	306	loss 352	147	382	48	1,202	1's 2,896	1's 1,628
Fellowes Athenæum	397	361	438	239	318	318	407	343	402	936
South Boston branch	159	115	200	51	55	401	loss 239	1,509	loss 69	113
South End branch....	248	187	365	loss 67	26	276	138	1,435	308	1's 683
West End branch .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,897	6,522	1,555	385	466
W. Roxbury branch..	6	10	.....	.....	33	4	626	loss 8	135	169
Lower Mills Reading room .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	85	3	.....	.....
Mattapan Reading room .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	73	24	1	.....
Mt. Bowdoin Reading room .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	74	283	loss 30	16
North Brighton Reading room .....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	74	loss 7	.....	1
Broadway Extension Reading room.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	261	724	307	290
Total	14,636	15,519	20,256	8,633	20,915	29,927	18,696	35,698	35,129	17,162

¹ Collection transferred to West End branch.

APPENDIX III. — *Concluded.*

LOCATED FEBRUARY 1, 1898, to JANUARY 31, 1899.

	Located.	Condemned, missing, transferred.	Net gain.
Central Library.....	23,867	3,187	20,680
Central Library, Duplicate room.....	3,764	1,701	2,063
Brighton branch.....	523	3,713	loss 3,190
Charlestown branch.....	2,200	105	2,095
Dorchester branch.....	596	1,998	loss 1,402
East Boston branch.....	711	2,189	loss 1,478
Jamaica Plain branch.....	543	1,834	loss 1,291
Roxbury branch, city collection.....	63	1,691	loss 1,628
Roxbury branch, Fellowes Athenæum.....	975	39	936
South Boston branch.....	926	813	113
South End branch.....	525	1,208	loss 683
West End branch.....	551	85	466
West Roxbury branch.....	181	12	169
Lower Mills Reading room.....			
Mattapan Reading room.....			
Mt. Bowdoin Reading room.....	16		16
North Brighton Reading room.....	1		1
Broadway Extension Reading room.....	419	129	290
Total.....	35,866	18,704	17,162

VOLUMES IN THE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS.

	1882.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.
Patent library	3,142	3,796	3,965	4,097	4,218	4,298	4,335	4,551	5,531	5,733	5,971	6,287	6,696
Bowditch library	3,924	4,708	4,985	5,225	5,348	5,509	5,626	5,717	6,003	6,077	6,192	6,279	6,349
Parker library	12,863	14,077	14,104	14,112	14,114	14,116	14,116	14,116	13,819	13,680	13,845	13,848	13,864
Prince library	2,274	2,775	2,894	2,905	2,935	2,933	3,000	3,025	2,045	2,045	2,045	2,045	2,047
Ticknor library	5,463	5,790	5,877	5,923	5,966	5,981	6,016	6,096	6,086	6,149	6,165	6,172	6,309
Barton library	13,487	13,841	14,735	13,794	13,735	13,740	13,764	13,775	13,624	13,627	13,491	13,491	13,491
Franklin library	240	403	416	427	446	465	482	499	565	578	592	591	598
Thayer library	888	1,290	1,368	1,427	1,500	1,500	3,984	5,209	5,383	5,384	5,385	5,385	5,388
John A. Lewis library						596	617	631	679	679	679	679	681
Gilbert library								420	422	422	423	423	423
Tosti library (1868, 129 vols.)									129	129	129	129	129
Hunt library (1871, 669 vols.)									669	669	669	669	669
John Adams library									2,319	2,319	2,319	2,319	2,319
Allen A. Brown library									6,383	6,990	7,671	7,745	7,874 (framed)
Chamberlain library									150	150	150	150	150
Military library									308	315	321	321	321
U. S. Congressional docs.										3,629	3,763	3,894	4,043
Gr. Br. Parl. papers										6,476	6,564	6,696	6,702
Galatea library													1,184
Codman library													686
Arts library													624
Newspaper room													4,559
Browning collection													328

* Amount for the other special collections

APPENDIX V.

CLASSIFICATION.

BRANCH LIBRARIES.

[This table is omitted from this year's report, owing to the reclassification now in process and uncompleted in the Branches.]

CLASSIFICATION OF HOLDERS OF "LIVE CARDS"

JANUARY 31, 1899.

BY SEX AND OCCUPATION.

CLASSES.	Permanent residents.	¹ Non-residents.	Special cards.
MALES.			
<i>Over 21 years of age.</i>			
Professional classes	2,916	102	142
Teachers	497	121	15
Students	1,242	1,114	—
Business men	8,861	89	11
Unemployed	1,982	182	6
Laborers	702	3	—
<i>Under 21 years of age.</i>			
Clerks	1,313	23	—
Office and errand boys	689	2	—
Unemployed	421	7	—
Pupils of Latin and High schools	917	13	—
Pupils of Grammar schools	9,061	4	—
Pupils of Grammar schools under 12 years	287	—	—
Other students	468	69	—
FEMALES.			
<i>Over 21 years of age.</i>			
Professional classes	268	45	131
Teachers	1,704	179	23
Students	718	1,296	—
Business women	4,562	72	—
Married	9,781	37	—
Single, unemployed	8,207	570	4
<i>Under 21 years of age.</i>			
Clerks	1,537	89	—
Errand girls	453	1	—
Unemployed	1,268	39	—
Pupils of Latin and High schools	1,321	19	—
Pupils of Grammar schools	8,406	7	—
Pupils of Grammar schools under 12 years	342	—	—
Other students	370	47	—
Totals	67,543	4,130	332

¹ Including persons temporarily sojourning in Boston.

N.B.— Of the 1,848 teachers' cards issued prior to February 1, 1899, 816 are live cards; of these, 857 are held by permanent residents, in addition to their ordinary cards (not included in permanent residents' column above), and 159 are held by non-residents (which are included in non-residents' column above).

BY WARDS.

Ward No.	No. of card-holders	Population census of '95.	Percentage of card-holders.	Ward No.	No. of card-holders	Population census of '95.	Percentage of card-holders.
1...	1,748	21,607	.0832	14...	2,014	19,186	.1049
2...	1,136	21,548	.0526	15...	1,838	18,633	.0984
3...	1,366	13,943	.0980	16...	1,807	16,330	.1107
4...	889	13,575	.0642	17...	1,738	21,114	.0823
5...	1,158	12,906	.0891	18...	2,338	21,679	.1087
6...	1,307	27,880	.0469	19...	2,388	22,372	.1067
7...	1,865	16,973	.1116	20...	4,304	21,328	.2011
8...	4,800	23,130	.2079	21...	4,618	19,374	.2386
9...	2,672	23,174	.1159	22...	3,189	22,389	.1429
10...	9,679	22,554	.4285	23...	2,909	18,283	.1591
11...	4,839	19,300	.2499	24...	3,912	18,340	.2144
12...	5,385	21,591	.2496	25...	3,108	15,091	.2071
13...	1,764	24,900	.0708	Total	72,005	495,920	.1449

PUBLIC SCHOOLS, TEACHERS AND PUPILS.

JUNE 30, 1898.

GENERAL SCHOOLS.	Number of schools.	NUMBER OF REGULAR TEACHERS.			Average number of pupils belonging.
		Men.	Women.	Total.	
Normal.....	1	2	9	11	265
Latin and High.....	11	70	105	175	4,599
Grammar.....	57	121	687	808	36,547
Primary.....	556		556	556	29,379
Kindergartens.....	69				3,988
Totals.....	694	198	1,493	1,696	74,778
SPECIAL SCHOOLS.					
Horace Mann.....	1			13	113
Spectacle Island.....	1			1	21
Evening High.....	1				
Central.....				25	1,775
Charlestown Branch.....				7	212
East Boston Branch.....				6	182
South Boston Branch.....				6	187
Totals.....	3			58	2,460
Special teachers (not included above),.....		20	88	108	
EVENING SCHOOLS.					
October, 1897-March, 1898.					
High and Elementary.....	12			129	3,148
Drawing.....	5			26	481
Totals.....	17			165	3,629
Grand total.....	714	218	1,581	2,017	80,867

APPENDIX VII.

CIRCULATION.
HOME USE ONLY.

	Total Circulation. Home Use.		From Central through Branches and Stations. Included in Central Library Circulation.		From Branches through Stations. Included in Branch Circulation.	
	1897-98.	1898-99.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1897-98.	1898-99.
	A.	B.	Included in "A."	Included in "B."	Included in "A."	Included in "B."
Central Library.....	388,489	422,849				
Brighton.....	31,882	36,217	618	909		
Charlestown.....	57,362	54,927	1,046	1,039		
Dorchester.....	58,105	55,768	818	729		
East Boston.....	62,993	60,435	1,077	1,693		
Jamaica Plain.....	57,176	52,225	1,543	1,436		
Roxbury.....	84,691	86,023	647	760		
South Boston.....	80,912	75,407	861	951		
South End.....	82,497	88,408	1,883	1,388		
West End.....	109,617	115,655	1,477	1,893		
West Roxbury.....	22,496	22,376	1,898	1,932		
Station A.....	4,283	5,205	1,398	2,008	¹ 1,916	² 854
B.....	13,870	13,501	4,082	6,409	² 2,682	³ 1,022
D.....	3,193	2,702	3,569	3,649		
E.....		3,895	1,009	2,090	³ 4,255	⁴ 2,213
F.....	12,180	10,236	1,889	2,543		
G.....	9,186	9,041	2,823	4,567	⁴ 667	⁵ 880
H.....	7,929	7,410	1,878	3,667	⁵ 1,721	⁶ 2,068
J.....	10,447	8,886	2,746	3,979		
K.....	146	3,412	3,286	3,038		
L.....	3,808	3,914	1,460	1,862		
M.....	8,484	7,067	1,567	2,961		
N.....	9,770	9,946	3,853	5,215		
P.....	26,159	27,718	1,324	2,208		
Q.....	16,544	15,590	3,864	5,630		
R.....	14,090	11,873	3,533	7,743	⁵ 2,071	⁶ 1,974
S.....	17,004	14,653	1,383	2,901		⁷ 4
T.....	2,600	9,875	1,013	6,174		
Carried forward.....	1,195,413	1,235,204	52,597	79,374	13,262	9,009

APPENDIX VII.—*Concluded.*

	Total Circulation. Home Use.		From Central through Branches and Stations. Included in Central Library Circulation.		From Branches through Stations. Included in Branch Circulation.	
	1897-98.	1898-99.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1897-98.	1898-99.
<i>Brought forward</i>	1,195,413	1,235,204	52,597	79,374	13,262	9,009
Station U.....		1,300		336		
Brighton High School...		1,108				
Charles Sumner School ..		277				
Cottage Place.....	1,325	1,281				
House of Reformation...	1,903	4,515				
Marcella-street Home	425	398				
North Bennet street.....	592	464				
Parental School.....		1,047				
Roxbury High School...		248				
Hancock School.....			3,937	6,831		
Engine-houses			15,275	16,300		
Total	1,199,658	1,245,842	61,809	92,841	13,262	9,009

¹ Number sent on deposit. Number used on premises not recorded.

² Included in Jamaica Plain Branch Circulation.

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	1897-98.	1898-99.	Gain.
Central Library.....	388,489	422,849	34,360
Branches.....	811,169	822,993	11,824
Total	1,199,658	1,245,842	46,184 = 3%

APPENDIX VIII.

TRUSTEES FOR FORTY-SEVEN YEARS.

The Hon. Edward Everett was President of the Board from 1852 to 1864; the late George Ticknor in 1865; William W. Greenough, Esq., from 1866 to April, 1888; from May 7, 1888, to May 12, 1888, Prof. Henry W. Haynes; Samuel A. B. Abbott, Esq., May 12, 1888, to April 30, 1895; Hon. F. O. Prince since October 8, 1895.

The Board for 1852 was a preliminary organization; that for 1853 made what is called the first annual report. At first it consisted of one alderman and one common councilman and five citizens at large till 1867, when a revised ordinance made it to consist of one alderman, two common councilmen and six citizens at large, two of whom retired, unless reëlected, each year, while the members from the City Council were elected yearly. In 1878 the organization of the Board was changed to include one alderman, one councilman and five citizens at large, as before 1867; and in 1885, by the provisions of the amended city charter, the representation of the city government upon the Board, by an alderman and a councilman, was abolished, leaving the Board as at present, consisting of five citizens at large appointed by the Mayor.

Citizens at large in SMALL CAPITALS.

ABBOTT, SAMUEL A. B., 1879-95.	Coe, Henry F., 1878.
Allen, James B., 1852-53.	Crane, Samuel D., 1860-61.
APPLETON, THOMAS G., 1852-57.	CURTIS, DANIEL S., 1873-75.
Barnes, Joseph H., 1871-72.	Dennie, George, 1858-60.
BENTON, JOSIAH H., JR., 1894-98.	DE NORMANDIE, JAMES, 1895-98.
BIGELOW, JOHN P., 1852-68.	Dickinson, M. F., Jr., 1871-72.
BOWDITCH, HENRY I., 1865-68.	Drake, Henry A., 1863-64.
BOWDITCH, HENRY P., 1894-98.	Erving, Edward S., 1852.
Bradlee, John T., 1869-70.	EVERETT, EDWARD, 1852-64.
Bradt, Herman D., 1872-3.	Flynn, James J., 1883.
Braman, Jarvis D., 1868-69.	Frost, Oliver, 1854-55; 1856-58.
BRAMAN, JARVIS D., 1869-72.	FROTHINGHAM, RICHARD, 1875-79.
Brown, J. Coffin Jones, 1861-62.	Gaffield, Thomas, 1867-68.
Burditt, Charles A., 1873-76.	GREEN, SAMUEL A., 1868-78.
Carpenter, George O., 1870-71.	GREENOUGH, WILLIAM W., 1856-88.
CARR, SAMUEL, 1895-96.	Guild, Curtis, 1876-77; 1878-79.
CHASE, GEORGE B., 1876-85.	Harris, William G., 1869-70.
Clapp, William W., Jr., 1864-66.	Haynes, Henry W., 1858-59.
Clark, John M., 1855-56.	HAYNES, HENRY W., 1880-95.
Clark, John T., 1873-78.	HILLARD, GEORGE S., 1872-75;
CLARKE, JAMES FREEMAN, 1878-88.	1876-77.
	Howes, Osborne, Jr., 1877-78.

Ingalls, Melville E., 1870-71.
 Jackson, Patrick T., 1864-65.
 Jenkins, Edward J., 1885.
 Keith, James M., 1868-70.
 Kimball, David P., 1874-76.
 Lawrence, James, 1852.
 Lee, John H., 1884-85.
 Lewis, Weston, 1867-68.
 Lewis, Weston, 1868-79.
 LEWIS, WINSLOW, 1867.
 LINCOLN, SOLOMON, 1897-98.
 Little, Samuel, 1871-73.
 Messinger, George W., 1855.
 Morse, Godfrey, 1883-84.
 MORTON, ELLIS W., 1870-73.
 Munroe, Abel B., 1854.
 Newton, Jeremiah L., 1867-68.
 Niles, Stephen R., 1870-71.
 O'Brien, Hugh, 1879-82.
 Pease, Frederick, 1872-73.
 Perkins, William E., 1873-74.
 Perry, Lyman, 1852.
 PIERCE, PHINEAS, 1888-94.
 Plummer, Farnham, 1856-57.
 Pope, Benjamin, 1876-77.
 Pope, Richard, 1877-78.
 Pratt, Charles E., 1880-82.
 PRINCE, FREDERICK O., 1888-98.

PUTNAM, GEORGE, 1868-77.
 Reed, Samson, 1852-53.
 RICHARDS, WILLIAM R., 1889-95.
 Sanger, George P., 1860-61.
 Sears, Phillip H., 1859-60.
 Seaver, Benjamin, 1852.
 Shepard, Harvey N., 1878-79.
 SHURTLEFF, NATHANIEL B., 1852-68.
 Stebbins, Solomon B., 1882-83.
 Story, Joseph, 1855-56; 1865-67.
 THOMAS, BENJAMIN F., 1877-78.
 TICKNOR, GEORGE, 1852-66.
 Tyler, John S., 1863-64; 1866-67.
 WALKER, FRANCIS A., 1896.
 Warren, George W., 1852-54.
 Washburn, Frederick L., 1857-58.
 WHIPPLE, EDWIN P., 1868-70.
 Whitmore, William H., 1882-83.
 WHITMORE, WILLIAM H., 1885-88.
 Whitney, Charles V., 1883-85.
 Whitney, Daniel H., 1862-63.
 Wilson, Elisha T., 1861-63.
 Wilson, George, 1852.
 WINSOR, JUSTIN, 1867.
 Wolcott, Roger, 1879.
 Wright, Albert J., 1868-69.

LIBRARIANS.

1852 to date.

(From 1859 to 1877 the chief executive officer was entitled Superintendent.)

CAPEN, EDWARD, *Librarian*, May 13, 1852-December 16, 1874.
 JEWETT, CHARLES C., *Superintendent*, 1858-January 9, 1868.
 WINSOR, JUSTIN, *Superintendent*, February 25, 1868-September 30, 1877.
 GREEN, DR. SAMUEL A., *Trustee, Acting Librarian*, October 1, 1877-September 30, 1878.
 CHAMBERLAIN, MELLEN, *Librarian*, October 1, 1878-September 30, 1890.
 DWIGHT, THEODORE F., *Librarian*, April 13, 1892-April 30, 1894.
 PUTNAM, HERBERT, *Librarian*, February 11, 1895.

APPENDIX IX.

EXAMINING COMMITTEES FOR FORTY-SEVEN YEARS.

The following have served on the Examining Committees for the years given. The names in *italics* are those of Trustees who have acted as chairmen of the various committees. The thirty-fourth year was from May 1 to December 31, 1885, a period of eight months, for which no Examining Committee was appointed.

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| Abbott, <i>Hon. J. G.</i> , 1870. | Brimmer, <i>Hon. Martin</i> , 1890, 1891. |
| Abbott, <i>S. A. B.</i> , 1880, 1894. | Brooks, <i>Rev. Phillips</i> , 1871. |
| Adams, Brooks, 1894. | Brown, Allen A., 1894. |
| Adams, Nehemiah, <i>D.D.</i> , 1860. | Browne, Alex. Porter, 1891. |
| Adams, Wm. T., 1875. | Browne, Causten, 1876. |
| Alger, <i>Rev. Wm. R.</i> , 1870. | Buckingham, C. E., <i>M.D.</i> , 1872. |
| Amory, <i>Miss Anna S.</i> , 1890, 1891. | Burdett, Everett W., 1896, 1897. |
| Andrew, <i>Hon. John F.</i> , 1888. | Burroughs, <i>Rev. Henry, Jr.</i> , 1869. |
| Andrews, Augustus, 1892, 1893. | Carr, Samuel, 1894. |
| Appleton, <i>Hon. Nathan</i> , 1854. | Carruth, Herbert S., 1892. |
| Apthorp, Wm. F., 1883. | Chadwick, James R., <i>M.D.</i> , 1877. |
| Arnold, Howard P., 1881. | Chamberlain, <i>Hon. Mellen</i> , 1894. |
| Aspinwall, <i>Col. Thomas</i> , 1860. | Chaney, <i>Rev. George L.</i> , 1868. |
| Attwood, G., 1877. | Chase, George B., 1876. |
| Bailey, Edwin C., 1861. | Chase, <i>George B.</i> , 1877, 1885. |
| Ball, Joshua D., 1861. | Cheever, David W., <i>M.D.</i> , 1894. |
| Bancroft, Robert H., 1894. | Cheever, <i>Miss Helen</i> , 1896, 1897. |
| Bangs, Edward, 1887. | Cheney, <i>Mrs. Ednah D.</i> , 1881. |
| Barnard, James M., 1866. | Clapp, <i>William W., Jr.</i> , 1864. |
| Barry, <i>Rev. Richard J.</i> , 1895. | Clarke, James Freeman, <i>D.D.</i> , 1877. |
| Bartlett, Sidney, 1869. | Clarke, <i>James Freeman, D.D.</i> , 1882. |
| Bates, <i>Hon. John L.</i> , 1896, 1897. | Clement, Edward H., 1894, 1895. |
| Beebe, James M., 1858. | Coale, George O. G., 1892, 1893. |
| Beecher, <i>Rev. Edward</i> , 1854. | Collar, William C., 1874. |
| Bent, Samuel Arthur, 1890, 1891. | Collins, <i>Hon. Patrick A.</i> , 1898. |
| Bigelow, Jacob, <i>M.D.</i> , 1857. | Connolly, <i>Rev. Arthur T.</i> , 1898. |
| Bigelow, <i>Hon. John P.</i> , 1856. | Corbett, <i>Hon. Joseph J.</i> , 1896, 1897. |
| Blagden, George W., <i>D.D.</i> , 1856. | Cudworth, Warren H., <i>D.D.</i> , 1878. |
| Blake, J. Bapst, <i>M.D.</i> , 1897, 1898. | Curtis, Charles P., 1862. |
| Blake, John G., <i>M.D.</i> , 1883, 1891. | Curtis, Daniel S., 1872. |
| Blake, <i>Mrs. Mary E.</i> , 1894. | Curtis, Thomas B., <i>M.D.</i> , 1874. |
| Bodfish, <i>Rev. Joshua P.</i> , 1879, 1891. | Cushing, Thomas, 1885. |
| Bowditch, Henry I., <i>M.D.</i> , 1855. | Dalton, Charles H., 1884. |
| Bowditch, Henry I., <i>M.D.</i> , 1865. | Dana, Samuel T., 1857. |
| Bowditch, Henry P., <i>M.D.</i> , 1881. | Dean, Benjamin, 1873. |
| Bowditch, J. Ingersoll, <i>LL.D.</i> , 1855. | Denny, Henry G., 1876. |
| Bowman, Alfonzo, 1867. | Derby, Hasket, <i>M.D.</i> , 1895, 1896. |
| Bowne, <i>Prof. Borden P.</i> , 1896, 1897. | Dexter, <i>Rev. Henry M.</i> , 1866. |
| Bradford, Charles F., 1868. | Dillingham, <i>Rev. Pitt</i> , 1886. |
| Bragg, <i>Hon. Henry W.</i> , 1898. | Dix, James A., 1860. |
| Brewer, Thomas M., 1865. | Doherty, Philip J., 1888. |

- Donahoe, Patrick, 1869.
 Donald, *Rev. E. Winchester*, 1898.
 Durant, Henry F., 1863.
 Duryea, Joseph T., *D.D.*, 1880.
 Dwight, John S., 1868.
 Dwight, Thomas, *M.D.*, 1880.
 Eastburn, Manton, *D.D.*, 1863.
 Eaton, William S., 1887.
 Edes, Henry H., 1886.
 Eliot, Samuel, *LL.D.*, 1868.
 Ellis, Arthur B., 1888, 1889.
 Ellis, Calvin, *M.D.*, 1871.
 Ellis, George E., *D.D.*, 1881.
 Endicott, William, Jr., 1878.
 Ensworth, William H., *M.D.*, 1898.
 Ernst, Carl W., 1897, 1898.
 Evans, George W., 1887, 1888, 1889.
 Everett, Sidney, 1895.
 Farlow, John W., *M.D.*, 1892, 1893.
 Field, Miss Gretchen, 1898.
 Field, Walbridge A., 1866.
 Fields, James T., 1872.
 Fitz, Reginald H., 1879.
 Fitz, Walter Scott, 1894.
 Foote, *Rev. Henry W.*, 1864.
 Fowle, William F., 1864.
 Freeland, Charles W., 1867.
 Frost, Oliver, 1854.
 Frothingham, Richard, 1876.
 Furness, Horace Howard, *LL.D.*, 1882.
 Gannett, Ezra S., *D.D.* 1855.
 Garland, George M., *M.D.*, 1895, 1896.
 Gay, George H., 1876.
 Gilchrist, Daniel S., 1872.
 Gordon, George A., *D.D.*, 1885.
 Gould, A. A., *M.D.*, 1864.
 Grant, Robert, 1884.
 Gray, John C., *LL.D.*, 1877.
 Green, Samuel A., *M.D.*, 1868.
 Green, Samuel S., 1895.
 Greenough, William W., 1858, 1874, 1883, 1886.
 Grinnell, Charles E., 1874.
 Hale, *Rev. Edward E.*, 1858.
 Hale, Mrs. George S., 1887, 1888.
 Hale, Moses L., 1862.
 Hale, Philip, 1893.
 Haskins, *Rev. George F.*, 1865.
 Hassam, John T., 1885.
 Hayes, *Hon. F. B.*, 1874.
 Haynes, Henry W., 1879.
 Haynes, Henry W., 1881, 1884.
 Hayward, George, *M.D.*, 1863.
 Heard, John, Jr., 1888, 1889, 1891.
 Heard, John T., 1853.
 Hellier, Charles E., 1895.
 Hemenway, Alfred, 1898.
 Herford, Brooke, *D.D.*, 1884.
 Herrick, Samuel E., *D.D.*, 1888, 1889.
 Hersey, Miss Heloise E., 1895, 1896.
 Higginson, Thomas W., 1883.
 Hill, Clemont Hugh, 1880.
 Hillard, *Hon. George S.*, 1853.
 Hillard, *Hon. George S.*, 1873.
 Hills, Thomas, 1898.
 Hodges, Richard M., *M.D.*, 1870.
 Holmes, Edward J., 1881, 1884.
 Holmes, Oliver W., *M.D.*, 1858.
 Holmes, Oliver W., Jr., *LL.D.*, 1882.
 Homans, Charles D., *M.D.*, 1867.
 Homans, Mrs. Charles D., 1885, 1886, 1887.
 Homer, George, 1870.
 Homer, Peter T., 1857.
 Hubbard, James M., 1891.
 Hubbard, William J., 1858.
 Hudson, John E., 1895, 1896.
 Hunnewell, James F., 1880, 1893, 1894.
 Hutchins, Miss Emma, 1895, 1896.
 Hyde, George B., 1879.
 Irwin, Miss Agnes, 1894.
 Jeffries, B. Joy, *M.D.*, 1869.
 Jeffries, William A., 1893.
 Jenkins, Charles E., 1879.
 Jewell, *Hon. Harvey*, 1863.
 Jordan, Eben D., 1873.
 Kidder, Henry P., 1870.
 Kimball, David P., 1874.
 Kimball, Henry H., 1865.
 Kirk, Edward N., *D.D.*, 1859.
 Lawrence, *Hon. Abbott*, 1853.
 Lawrence, Abbott, 1859.
 Lawrence, Miss Harriette S., 1890.
 Lawrence, James, 1855.
 Lee, Miss Alice, 1889, 1890, 1891.
 Lee, *Hon. John H.*, 1897, 1898.
 Lewis, Weston, 1872, 1878.
 Lincoln, *Hon. F. W.*, 1856.
 Lincoln, Solomon, 1886.
 Little, James L., 1864.
 Lombard, *Prof. Josiah L.*, 1868.
 Loring, *Hon. Charles G.*, 1855.
 Lothrop, Loring, 1866.
 Lowell, A. Lawrence, 1897, 1898.
 Lowell, Augustus, 1883.
 Lowell, Edward J., 1885.
 Lunt, *Hon. George*, 1874.
 Lyman, George H., *M.D.*, 1885.
 McCleary, Samuel F., 1890.
 McNulty, *Rev. John J.*, 1896, 1897.
 Manning, *Rev. Jacob M.*, 1861.
 Mason, *Rev. Charles*, 1857.
 Mason, Miss Ellen F., 1898.
 Mason, Robert M., 1869.
 Maxwell, J. Audley, 1883.
 Metcalf, *Rev. Theodore A.*, 1888, 1889.
 Minns, Thomas, 1864.
 Minot, Francis, 1866.
 Morison, Miss Mary, 1892, 1893, 1895.

- Morrill, Charles J., 1885.
 Morse, John T., Jr., 1879.
 Morse, Robert M., Jr., 1878.
 Morton, Hon. Ellis W., 1871.
 Mudge, Hon. E. R., 1871.
 Neale, Rollin H., D.D., 1853.
 Noble, John, 1882.
 Norcross, Otis, 1880.
 O'Brien, Hon. Hugh, 1879.
 O'Callaghan, John J., 1895.
 O'Reilly, John Boyle, 1878.
 Otis, G. A., 1860.
 Paddock, Rt. Rev. Benj. H., 1876.
 Parker, Charles Henry, 1888, 1889.
 Parker, Mrs. William L., 1897, 1898.
 Parkman, Henry, 1885.
 Parks, Rev. Leighton, 1882, 1896, 1897.
 Perkins, Charles C., 1871.
 Perry, Thomas S., 1879, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1890, 1891.
 Phillips, John C., 1882.
 Phillips, Jonathan, 1854.
 Pierce, Hon. Henry L., 1891.
 Pingree, Miss Lalia B., 1894.
 Prescott, William H., LL.D., 1853.
 Prince, Hon. F. O., 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1895, 1896.
 Putnam, George, D.D., 1870.
 Putnam, Hon. John P., 1865.
 Putnam, William L., 1898.
 Randall, Charles M., M.D., 1884.
 Rice, Hon. Alexander H., 1860.
 Robbins, Elliott, M.D., 1893.
 Roche, James Jeffrey, 1898.
 Rogers, Prof. William B., 1861.
 Rollins, J. Wingate, 1888, 1889.
 Ropes, John C., 1872.
 Rotch, Benjamin S., 1863.
 Runkle, Prof. J. D., 1882.
 Russell, Samuel H., 1880.
 Sampson, O. H., 1892, 1893.
 Sanger, Hon. George P., 1860.
 Searle, Charles P., 1898.
 Seaver, Edwin P., 1881.
 Shepard, Hon. Harvey N., 1888, 1889.
 Sherwin, Mrs. Thomas, 1893, 1894.
 Shurtleff, Hon. Nathaniel B., 1857.
 Smith, Azariah, 1895, 1896.
 Smith, Charles C., 1873.
 Smith, Mrs. Charles C., 1881, 1886.
 Smith, Miss Minna, 1892.
 Sowdon, A. J. C., 1892, 1893.
 Sprague, Charles J., 1859.
 Sprague, Homer B., 1882.
 Stedman, C. Ellery, M.D., 1888.
 Stevens, Oliver, 1858.
 Stevenson, Hon. J. Thomas, 1856.
 Stockwell, S. N., 1861.
 Stone, Col. Henry, 1885, 1886, 1887.
 Story, Joseph, 1856.
 Sullivan, Richard, 1883, 1884.
 Teele, John O., 1886.
 Thaxter, Adam W., 1855.
 Thayer, George A., 1875.
 Thayer, Rev. Thomas B., 1862.
 Thomas, B. F., LL.D., 1875.
 Thomas, Seth J., 1856.
 Ticknor, Miss Anna E., 1891.
 Ticknor, George, LL.D., 1853, 1854, 1855, 1859, 1863, 1866.
 Tillinghast, Caleb B., 1895, 1896.
 Tobey, Hon. Edward S., 1862.
 Todd, William C., 1894.
 Twombly, Rev. A. S., 1883, 1884.
 Upham, J. B., M.D., 1865.
 Vibbert, Rev. Geo. H., 1873.
 Wales, George W., 1875.
 Walley, Hon. Samuel H., 1862.
 Ward, Rev. Julius H., 1882.
 Ware, Charles E., M.D., 1875.
 Ware, Darwin E., 1881.
 Warner, Hermann J., 1867.
 Warren, Hon. Charles H., 1859.
 Warren, J. Collins, M.D., 1878.
 Waterston, Rev. Robert C., 1867.
 Weissbein, Louis, 1893.
 Wells, Mrs. Kate G., 1877.
 Wendell, Prof. Barrett, 1895, 1896.
 Wharton, William F., 1886.
 Whipple, Edwin P., 1869.
 Whitmore, William H., 1887.
 Whitney, Daniel H., 1862.
 Whitney, Henry A., 1873.
 Wightman, Hon. Joseph M., 1859.
 Williams, Harold, M.D., 1888, 1889, 1890.
 Williamson, William C., 1881.
 Williamson, Mrs. William C., 1897, 1898.
 Wilson, Elisha T., M.D., 1861.
 Winsor, Justin, LL.D., 1867.
 Winthrop, Hon. Robert C., 1854.
 Winthrop, Robert C., Jr., 1887.
 Wood, Frank, 1897, 1898.
 Woodbury, Charles Levi, 1871.
 Woolson, Mrs. Abba Goold, 1888, 1889.
 Wright, Hon. Carroll D., 1884.

APPENDIX X.

SCHEDULE OF LIBRARY SERVICE.

Note.—This has been brought down to March 31, 1899. The order is (1) by rank in grades, and (2) alphabetical, within each grade.

SUMMARY.

Central Library	167	Males	88	Females	79
Branches and Reading rooms	64	"	15	"	49
	<u>231</u>		<u>103</u>		<u>128</u>

Evening and Sunday service, Central Library, * 65
Sunday service, Branches, 12.

Extra assistance is employed at the branches.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Putnam, Herbert	1895	Librarian.
Savage, Philip H. . . .	1896	Librarian's Sec.
† Mooney, George V. . . .	1889	B. Special.
Deery, D. Jean.	1891	B. "
Learned, Lucie A.	1891	B. "
Cellarius, Theodore W. . . .	1892	D. "
Hutchins, Fernald	1896	D. "
McFarland, Peter V.	1896	D.
Nichols, Adelaide A.	1868	Auditor.
** Bicknell, Margaret M. . . .	1896	C. Special.

CATALOGUE DEPARTMENT.

Whitney, James L.	1869	Chief.
¶ Swift, Lindsay	1878	A. Special.
Chevalier, Samuel A.	1894	A. "
Hunt, Edward B.	1883	A. "
Murdoch, John	1896	A. "
Burnell, Carrie	1881	A.
Rollins, Mary H.	1886	A.
Seaver, Mrs. Lillian F. . . .	1888	A.
Rice, Edwin F.	1885	B. Special.
Tenney, Mary A.	1897	B. "
Bartlett, Mary R.	1897	B.
Cutler, Dora L.	1887	B.
Gould, Ida W.	1884	B.

* Serving from three to seven evenings a week each. The total number of positions is 35, evenings; 40, Sundays.

** Auditor's Assistant. † Custodian of Stock Room. ¶ Editor Library Publications.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Hemmings, Anita F. . . .	1897	B.
Leavitt, Luella K. . . .	1895	B.
Brennan, T. Frank	1890	C. Special.
Dolan, Charles W.	1894	D.
Shaughnessy, John F. . . .	1898	E.

ORDERING DEPARTMENT.

Macurdy, Theodosia E. . . .	1889	Chief.
Coolidge, Marie	1893	B. Special.
Seemüller, Mary	1899	B. "
Frinsdorff, Emily O.	1894	B.
Goddard, Mrs. Frances H. . .	1892	B.
McGrath, Mary A.	1868	B.
McFarland, Thomas A. . . .	1891	C. Special.
Keleher, Alice A.	1891	D. "
St. Louis, Robert E.	1897	D. Runner.

SHELF DEPARTMENT.

Roffe, William G. T.	1881	A. Div. 2.
Locke, John F.	1894	B.
Richmond, Bertha P.	1895	B.
Connor, George H.	1891	C. Special.
Eberhart, John	1894	C. "
Reardon, John H.	1896	C. "
Caiger, Eliza F. A.	1895	D.
Lucid, John F.	1893	D.
Shawno, Robert	1898	D.

BATES HALL.

Bierstadt, Oscar A.	1899	Custodian.
† Blaisdell, Frank C.	1876	A. Special.
Buckley, Pierce E.	1891	B.
Doyle, Agnes C.	1885	B.
Plunkett, Albert J.	1895	D. Special.
Hannigan, Frank J.	1898	D.
Hardy, Charles A.	1896	D.

SPECIAL LIBRARIES.

Fleischner, Otto	1891	Custodian.
Hitchcock, Grace A.	1895	B. Special.
Hall, Belle S.	1895	B.
Patten, Mary L.	1898	B.
Whitney, Margaret D.	1898	B.
Ward, Joseph W.	1891	C. Special.
Cassidy, Margaret L.	1895	D. "
Kelly, Charlotte H.	1895	D. "

† In charge of Patent and Newspaper Departments.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

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Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Smith, Arthur E. F. . . .	1897	D.
McKiernan, John L. . . .	1896	D. Runner.
Maiers, William C., Jr. . . .	1897	D. "

DOCUMENTS DEPARTMENT.

Ford, Worthington C. . . .	1898	Chief.
Lane, Lucius P. . . .	1898	B.

PERIODICAL-ROOM.

Wendté, Frederika	1895	C.
Ford, Mary E. A. . . .	1895	D.
Maguinness, James	1897	D. Runner.

NEWSPAPER-ROOM.

Serex, Frederic	1895	B.
Keenan, Matthew T. . . .	1896	D. Special.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

McGuffey, Margaret D. . . .	1895	Chief.
* Sheffield, Mrs. Gertrude P. . . .	1896	B. Special.
Forrest, Gertrude E. . . .	1895	B. "
Barry, Edward F. . . .	1890	C. "
Cufflin, M. Florence	1892	C. "
McCarthy, Michael, Jr. . . .	1892	C. "
Sheridan, Mary C. . . .	1881	C. "
Desmond, Louise L. . . .	1895	C.
Richards, Florence F. . . .	1875	C.
Shumway, Marion H. . . .	1895	C.
Bertram, Lucy I. . . .	1895	D. Special.
Cunniff, Nellie L. . . .	1895	D. "
Dowling, S. Jennie	1895	D. "
McCarthy, Marion A. . . .	1895	D. "
Murphy, Annie G. . . .	1888	D. "
Reynolds, Mary A. . . .	1894	D. "
Roett, Louis W. . . .	1895	D. "
Wiechmann, Catherine A. . . .	1895	D. "
Connolly, Nelly L. . . .	1895	D.
Daly, Margaret C. . . .	1895	D.
Ethier, Lillian E. . . .	1895	D.
Gorman, John E. . . .	1895	D.
Kiernan, Letitia M. . . .	1895	D.
Lucid, Joseph A. . . .	1895	D.
Mayer, Harry F. . . .	1897	D.
Olson, Alphild	1895	D.
Olson, Bertha A. . . .	1895	D.
Williams, Grace	1895	D.

* In charge of Juvenile Department.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Zaugg, Joanna . . .	1895	D.
Zaugg, Otto E. . . .	1895	D.
Barry, Margaret M. . .	1897	D. Runner.
Bryce, Jean M.	1898	D. "
Cole, Grace E.	1897	D. "
Hagerty, Mary E. . . .	1897	D. "
Hersey, Edna M.	1898	D. "
McKenzie, Kenneth . . .	1897	D. "
McSweeney, M. Agnes . .	1897	D. "
Schulz, Henry A. C. . . .	1898	D. "
Shaughnessy, Mary A. . .	1897	D. "
Stetson, Nina M.	1896	D. "
Gorman, Annie L.	1899	E.
Schnabel, Paul J.	1898	E.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT, BRANCH DIVISION.

Ward, Langdon L.	1896	Supervisor of Branches and Delivery Stations.
Kueffner, Cecilia W. . . .	1898	B.
Painter, Florence McM. . .	1897	B.
Heimann, Otto A.	1890	C. Special.
Morse, Maud M.	1877	C. "
Bollog, Emma	1898	C.
Maier, Joseph A.	1892	D. Special.
Brown, Richard	1898	D.
Conroy, Michael J.	1897	D. Runner.

REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

Keenan, John J.	1885	B. Special.
Murray, Ella K.	1886	C.
Shelton, Richard B. . . .	1895	D. Special.
Fillebrown, Emily F. . . .	1895	D.

PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

	Entered.	Position.
Lee, Francis W.	1894	Chief.
Geyer, Willfried H. . . .	1896	Pressman.
Greeley, Carrie P.	1896	Compositor.
Land, Annie F.	1896	"
Ives, Birdsey F.	1896	Feeder.

BINDERY.

Ryder, Frank	1883	Foreman.
Collins, Dennis J.	1887	Finisher.
Dougan, William J.	1898	Forwarder.
Fuerst, Alexander	1896	"
Hoeffner, George	1891	"
Ivory, John W.	1893	"
Löfström, Konrad A. . . .	1892	"

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

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Name.	Entered.	Position.
Murphy, John F. . . .	1883	Forwarder.
Sullivan, J. Henry . . .	1898	"
Hemstedt, William P. . .	1883	Pressman.
Bowen, Mrs. Sarah E. . .	1876	Sewer.
Doiron, Joanna	1896	"
Healey, Margaret	1899	"
Kiley, Margaret J. . . .	1889	"
Moriarty, Mary G. . . .	1875	"
Nolen, Sarah	1891	"
Potts, Ellen F.	1892	"
Soule, Ellen E.	1891	"

ENGINEER AND JANITOR DEPARTMENT.

Niederauer, Henry	1894	Chief Engineer.
McCready, Alexander . . .	1895	Engineer.
Malone, John P.	1895	"
O'Neill, Harry	1896	"
Zittel, George, Jr.	1891	"
Herland, Nils J.	1895	Fireman.
Moran, John A.	1894	"
Karlson, Charles W. . . .	1896	Book Motors.
* Williams, John L. . . .	1886	Janitor.
Lawrence, John A.	1898	"
Frye, Henry	1898	"
McCarty, Dennis	1888	Watchman.
McGee, Alexander D. . . .	1896	Painter.
Wall, Frank A.	1897	Carpenter.
Hanna, William T.	1895	Marble polisher.
Chavies, Samuel H.	1899	Elevator and Coat room attendants.
Cole, William E.	1898	
Thomas, Arthur C.	1898	

EAST BOSTON BRANCH.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Walkley, Ellen O.	1897	B. Special.
Brackett, Marian W. . . .	1897	C.
Wing, Alice M.	1873	C.
Bickford, Lillian A. . . .	1891	D.
Hosea, George H.	1873	Janitor.
Taylor, Charles F.	1897	"

SOUTH BOSTON BRANCH.

Bullard, N. Josephine . . .	1883	B. Special.
Eaton, Ellen A.	1873	C.
Sampson, Idalene L. . . .	1878	C.
McQuarrie, Annie C. . . .	1894	D.
Orcutt, Alice B.	1887	D.
Sumner, Alice F.	1897	D.
Baker, Joseph	1872	Janitor.

* Charge of book motors, evenings.

ROXBURY BRANCH.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Bell, Helen M. . . .	1878	B. Special.
Berry, Martha L. C. . .	1883	C.
Puffer, Dorothy . . .	1878	C.
Griggs, Sarah W. . . .	1886	D.
Lynch, Gertrude A. . .	1894	D.
Monahan, William . . .	1883	Janitor.

CHARLESTOWN BRANCH.

Cartée, Elizabeth F. . .	1886	B. Special.
Livermore, Mrs. Susan E. .	1885	C.
Reagen, Elizabeth R. . .	1895	C.
O'Neill, Margaret M. . .	1892	D.
Rogan, Katharine S. . .	1896	D.
Smith, Thomas E. . . .	1874	Janitor.

BRIGHTON BRANCH.

Hobart, Martha N. . . .	1896	B. Special.
Conley, Ellen F. . . .	1891	C.
Dale, M. Florence . . .	1895	D.
Warren, Edward A. . . .	1898	Janitor.

DORCHESTER BRANCH.

Reed, Mrs. Elizabeth T. . .	1873	B. Special.
Griffith, Mary E. . . .	1886	C.
Donovan, Mary G. . . .	1891	D.
Kellogg, Grace E. . . .	1898	D.
Meffen, Margaret	1892	D.
Davenport, Edward . . .	1875	Janitor.

SOUTH END BRANCH.

Sheridan, Margaret A. . .	1875	B. Special.
McKirdy, Alice E. . . .	1896	C.
Lynch, Emma F.	1885	D.
Meehan, Margaret F. . . .	1893	D.
Mulloney, William J. . .	1892	D.

JAMAICA PLAIN BRANCH.

Swain, Mary P.	1877	B. Special.
Riley, Nellie F.	1878	C.
Albert, Katie F.	1892	D.
Kenney, Thomas W. . . .	1897	Janitor.

WEST END BRANCH.

Davis, Mrs. Eliza R. . . .	1877	B. Special.
Barton, Margaret S. . . .	1885	C.
Forbes, George W. . . .	1896	C.
Mooney, Katharine G. . .	1885	C.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

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Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Kiley, Mary E.	1896	D.
Riley, Mary E.	1891	D.
Kelly, William D.	1898	D. Runner.
Porter, Frank C.	1896	D. "
Sullivan, Daniel J.	1898	Janitor.

WEST ROXBURY BRANCH.

Morse, Carrie L.	1890	D. Special.
Henderson, Irene E.	1898	E.
Woods, Eugene B.	1898	Janitor.

DELIVERY STATIONS.

Station.	Custodian.	Grade.
A. Lower Mills Reading-room.	Hill, M. Addie.	D. Special.
B. Roslindale Delivery Station.	Davis, William W.	
C. West Roxbury Branch	See above.	
D. Mattapan Reading-room.	Capewell, Mrs. Emma G.,	D. Special.
E. Neponset Delivery Station.	Barnes, Charles D.	
F. Mt. Bowdoin Reading-room	Fairbrother, Mrs. Eliz. G.,	D. Special.
G. Allston Delivery Station.	Howe, W. A. & Co.	
H. Ashmont Delivery Station.	Weymouth, Clara E.	
J. Dorchester Sta. Delivery Sta.	Sexton, Mrs. Annie M.	
K. Bird-st. Delivery Station.	Morris, Antoinette.	
L. No. Brighton Reading-room.	Muldoon, Katherine F.	D. Special.
M. Crescent-ave. Delivery Station.	Johnson, Charles E., & Co.	
N. Blue Hill-ave. Delivery Station.	Riker, Mrs. S. A.	
P. B'way Extension Delivery Sta.	{ Stewart, Cora L.	D. Special.
	{ Myers, Benjamin, Assistant.	D.
Q. Upham's Corner Delivery Sta.	Bird, Mrs. Thomas H.	
R. Warren-st. Delivery Station.	Woodward, C. E. & Co.	
S. Roxbury-crossing Delivery Sta.	Yeaton, E. Christine.	D. Special.
T. Boylston Delivery Station	Locke, Joseph B.	
U. Ward 9 Delivery Station	McGrath, Amelia F.	C.

EVENING AND SUNDAY SERVICE.

Central Library.

6 P.M. TO 10 P.M. WINTER SCHEDULE.

SUNDAYS, 2 TO 10 P.M.

BATES HALL.

Officers in Charge.	Hours.
Chevalier, Samuel A. See Issue Department	4
Fleischner, Otto	8
Hunt, Edward B.	10
Swift, Lindsay	10
Assistants.	
Roffe, William G. T.	9½
Walsh, William A. See Fine Arts.	15½
Central Desk.	
Buckley, Pierce E. See Issue Department	8
Reardon, John H. See Deliverers of Books	4
Williams, David L.	20

	Hours.
Care of Reference Books.	
Heimann, Albert E.	24
Plunkett, Albert J. See Newspaper room	8
Collectors of Slips.	
McKenzie, Kenneth	9
Pearson, John A. See Runners	7
Pitts, James A. See Fine Arts Extra Assistants	9
Runners.	
Beckford, Fred A. See Cars, Book-case and Runners,	9
Campbell, Charles D. See Issue Dep't Runners	3
Sullivan, Frank T.	10
Zaugg, Otto E. See Issue Department Runners	3

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

Officers in Charge.	
Blaisdell, Frank C.	20
Buckley, Pierce E. See Central Desk	4
Chevalier, Samuel A. See Bates Hall	8
Receiver of Books.	
Blaisdell, Fred W.	25
Deliverers of Books.	
Clarke, William S. See Indicator. Runners	12
Reardon, John H. See Central Desk	13
Care of Indicator.	
Clarke, William S. See Deliverers of Books. Runners,	13
Hannigan, Walter T. See Care of Tubes	12
Assistants at Indicator.	
Currier, Ulysses S. G.	7
Gorman, John E. See Tubes and Juvenile Library	3
Tenny, Robert M. See Cars and Fine Arts	12
Care of Slips.	
Heimann, Otto A.	7
Hughes, John A.	18
Desk Attendant.	
Ford, Daniel J. See Runners	25
Care of Tubes.	
Gorman, John E. See Assistants at Indicator and Juvenile Library	3
Hannigan, Frank J.	9
Hannigan, Walter T. See Indicator	13
Care of Carriers.	
Beckford, Fred A. See B. H. Runners, Book-case and Issue Department Runners	6½
Lucid, John F.	9
Roett, Louis W. See Book-case	3½
Tenny, Robert M. See Indicator Assistants and Fine Arts	6

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

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	Hours.
Book-case Attendants.	
Beckford, Fred A. See B. H. Runners, Carriers . . .	6
Glover, John H. See Runners	6
Roett, Louis W. See Cars	6
St. Louis, Robert E.	7
Runners.	
Beckford, Fred A. See B. H. Runners, Carriers and Book-case	8½
Benson, Edwin F. A.	10
Campbell, Charles D. See B. H. Runners . . .	19
Clarke, William S. See Indicator. Deliverers of Books,	7
Conners, Timothy J.	25
Conroy, Michael J.	6½
Doyle, Charles A.	25
Ford, Daniel J. See Desk Attendant	7
Glover, John H. See Book-case Attendants . . .	4
Hughes, Thomas F.	9
Lucid, Joseph A.	7
McFarland, Peter V.	9
Mackinnon, Bergan A. See Juvenile Library . . .	6
Maier, Joseph A.	9
Maiers, William C., Jr.	9
Mayer, Harry F.	9½
Martin, D. Clifford. See Barton Library Assistants .	18
Pearson, John A. See Collectors of Slips . . .	3
Trueman, Nelson G.	22
Weller, Waldo W. See Fine Arts Extra Assistants,	9
Zaugg, Otto E. See B. H. Runners	6½

BARTON LIBRARY.

In Charge.	
Lec, Francis W.	16
Tiffany, Edward	16
Assistants.	
McKiernan, John L.	12
Martin, D. Clifford. See Runners	8
Smith, Arthur E. F. See Fine Arts Assistants . . .	12

FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT.

In Charge.	
Bourne, Frank A.	20
Walsh, William A. See Bates Hall Assistants . . .	12
Assistants.	
Smith, Arthur E. F. See Barton Library Assistants,	12½
Ward, Joseph W.	12½
Extra Assistants.	
Pitts, James A. See Collectors of Slips	8
Shawno, Robert	12
Weller, Waldo W. See Runners	12

	Hours.
PERIODICAL ROOM.	
Conners, John F.	32
REGISTRATION DESK.	
Fallon, William E.	21½
Keenan, John J.	3½
JUVENILE LIBRARY.	
Attendants.	
Hall, Belle S.	6
Kelly, Charlotte H.	9½
Owen, Marion L.	9½
Extra Attendants.	
Gorman, John E. See Assistants at Indicator and Tubes	4
Mackinnon, Bergan A. See Runners	4
Russell, J. Edward	28
PATENT ROOM.	
Attendants.	
Keenan, Matthew T.	16
Serex, Frederic	16
NEWSPAPER ROOM.	
Attendants.	
Brennan, Thomas F.	12
Connor, George H.	16
Plunkett, Albert J. See Care of Reference Books	4
REPLACEMENT OF BOOKS.	
Barry, Edward F.	12½
McCarthy, Michael, Jr.	12½

SUNDAY SERVICE.* *Branch Libraries.*

NOVEMBER 1 TO MAY 1.

* With the exception of the West End Branch, which is open Sundays throughout the year; the regular week-day attendants serve Sundays, their compensation being for seven days per week.

CHARLESTOWN BRANCH, 2 TO 10 P.M.

In Charge.	Hours.
Day, John	8
Harrington, Walter	8
Janitor.	
Smith, Thomas	8

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EAST BOSTON BRANCH, 2 TO 10 P.M.

Hours.

In Charge Issue Desk.

Bussey, George D. 7

In Charge Reading Room.

Hosea, George H. 8

Heat Janitor.

Taylor, Charles F. 8

SOUTH BOSTON BRANCH, 2 TO 10 P.M.

In Charge.

Orcutt, Alice B. 7

Janitors.

Baker, Joseph 8

Saunders, Thomas 8

STATION P, 2 TO 6 P.M., 7 TO 9 P.M.

In Charge.

Herr, Irving 6

Assistant.

Brown, Richard 2

STATION S, 2 TO 6 P.M., 7 TO 9 P.M.

In Charge.

Damon, Helen G. 6

APPENDIX XI.

SYSTEM OF SERVICE.

AS IN FORCE MARCH 31, 1899.

The system of graded service with provision for examinations as set forth in Article VI. of the By-laws quoted below was adopted by the Trustees in April, 1895. Employees then in the service were graded thereunder. The application of the system to such employees was, however, made with this proviso: that it should not of itself entitle any employee to an increase of salary nor subject him to a decrease. In some cases, therefore, the salaries of present employees do not yet accord precisely with the salaries of the grades under which they are classed. But increases of salary that may be recommended on the ground that the service rendered is entitled to higher pay will be made only in accordance with the system. And all promotions, as well as new appointments, will be made in accordance with the system.

EXTRACTS FROM BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE VI., SECTION 1. — *Examinations.* Semi-annually, or oftener if expedient, examinations shall be held under the direction of the Librarian, for admission, by promotion or otherwise, to all grades of employment in the Public Library, except the positions of Librarian, Assistant Librarian, Librarian's Secretary, Auditor, Chief Cataloguer, Chief of Shelf Department, Custodian of Bates Hall, Chief of Ordering Department, Chief of Issue Department, Supervisor of Branches and Stations, Chief Engineer, Chief of Printing Department and Chief of Bindery.

From the list of those persons who have successfully passed the examinations of the grade in which they seek employment, appointments shall be made by the Trustees upon nomination by the Librarian in consultation with the head of the department in which the appointment is to be made.

ARTICLE V., SECTION 2. — *Vacations and other Absences.* All persons regularly employed in the Library, except persons employed in the Engineer's or Janitor's departments, or in the Bindery, shall be entitled to a vacation at the rate of twenty-four days for each year in the service, exclusive of legal holidays, and of the weekly half-holiday allowed by the city ordinance, to be arranged by the Librarian. No allowance shall be made for absence from duty except as above provided.

SECTION 3. The President or Librarian shall have power to suspend, with loss of pay, any person in the Library service until the first succeeding meeting of the corporation.

The following notice and application blank are furnished to applicants for employment in the Library service :

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT.

Applications must be made upon the printed blanks furnished by the Library. Examinations for applicants will be held from time to time as the needs of the service may require. Each applicant will be notified of the examination to be held next after the filing of his application.

The examinations are not strictly competitive. Other capacities being equal, preference will be given to persons attaining the highest mark ; but in making selections from among those who have taken the examination, other elements of fitness for the particular positions to be filled will be taken into account.

The purpose of the examination being not to test the intelligence of the applicants by an absolute standard, but rather to range the applicants according to the relative intelligence displayed by them, no absolute pass-mark is fixed ; nor is any certificate or diploma given, but candidates will, if they desire, be informed of their relative rank among those who have taken examinations for the same grade.

The examination, moreover, is regarded as a preliminary test, merely. It must be followed by a test of capacity in actual service during a probationary period. And all appointments to the service, even where carrying pay, are provisional and conditioned upon proof of capacity for the particular positions to be filled as shown in actual service.

The entire Library service (excepting the Engineer, Janitor, and Printing Departments and the Bindery, and the Sunday and Evening service which is paid by the hour) is divided into grades. Each grade begins with a minimum salary and progresses, by an annual increase, to a maximum. No such increase, however, will be paid unless the work of the employee has proved satisfactory to the Trustees. The maximum reached, no further increase is possible, except by promotion to a higher grade. Such promotion also is based upon an examination, combined, however, with certificate of capacity from the head of the department in which the employee has served.

The ordinary grades are supposed to provide for positions where academic knowledge is necessary ; the special grades for those positions where special capacities (as knowledge of type-writing, executive ability, etc.) are more particularly required.

Applicants for positions in the higher grades must satisfy the examiners of their ability to pass the examinations for all the grades below that for which they make application.

To the above general qualifications must be added in each case such special qualifications as may be requisite for the particular positions to be filled.

HERBERT PUTNAM,
Librarian.

BLANK FOR APPLICATION.

THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

APPLICATION.

I hereby make application to be examined for a position in Grade _____ of the Public Library service of the City of Boston.

As part of my application I declare the answers to the following questions to be true and in my own handwriting.

Each question must be answered or the blank will be returned.

1. Are you married or single?
2. Where do you reside and what is your post-office address? (Give town or city, including street and number.)
3. How long have you been a resident of said city or town?
4. Are you a citizen of the United States?
5. What is the date and place of your birth?
6. What is your father's and mother's full name? Give name whether living or dead.
7. Have you ever been examined for the public service in any State or city? If so, when, where, for what branch and grade of the service and with what result?
8. Are you in good health? Have you any mental or physical incapacity of which you are aware?
9. What is your present occupation and what has been your past occupation? Give places and dates of employment as near as you can.
10. In what schools, academy or college were you educated? Give the name and length of course in each.
11. Have you any experience or do you possess any special qualifications, such as a knowledge of book-keeping, stenography, typewriting, foreign languages or a familiarity with other branch or branches of knowledge, which in your opinion would be useful in the service of the Public Library, and not included among the requirements for the grade in which you are an applicant?
12. What experience in library work have you had?
13. In what department of this library do you think your capacities would be useful?

[Signature: all names in full.]

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Any other facts you desire to mention: [Certificates and testimonials may be mentioned, and copies may be enclosed. The originals need not, unless called for.]

When filled out, fold TWICE, as indicated, and return to the Librarian of the Boston Public Library.

APPENDIX XII.

CORRESPONDENCE, BEQUESTS, ETC.

KATE FIELD COLLECTION.

BOSTON, April 20, 1898.

HERBERT PUTNAM, Esq.,

Librarian, Public Library :

MY DEAR MR. PUTNAM, — Last autumn you most kindly acceded to my desire to be permitted to give to the Library the MSS. and autograph letters, from famous persons, belonging to Kate Field ; and I have just now received, by this morning's mail, a letter from Mr. T. Sanford Beaty, the executor and the chief and residuary legatee of Miss Field, a letter saying : "It seems to me a most charming idea to so preserve dear Miss Field's MSS., and I should certainly advise you to turn them over to Mr. Putnam."

Mr. Beaty has just returned from a long absence ; and while I knew he would approve this, I had no right to do so until I had his official permission. . . .

That Miss Field's memory may be thus "kept green" by a "Kate Field Collection" in the noble Library fulfils the dearest wish of my heart.

Very faithfully yours,
(Signed)

LILIAN WHITING.

LIBRARY OF THE AMERICAN STATISTICAL ASSOCIATION.

BOSTON, MASS., June 16, 1898.

To the Trustees of the Boston Public Library :

GENTLEMEN, — The American Statistical Association, of which General Walker was President for so many years, until the time of his death, and of which Colonel Wright is now President, has a valuable library of statistical works, especially rich in public documents of foreign countries. . . . At the last meeting of the Association, held in April of this year, the Library Committee of the Association was given power to transfer the library to

the Trustees of the Boston Public Library if they were willing to accept the gift, the only condition being that the purely statistical portion of the library should be kept together, and that members of the Association should have free access to the shelves of this collection. In the wish that this collection be kept together, there is no desire, however, to handicap the Public Library in any way in the administration of its work. Undoubtedly there are many public documents which are duplicates of those in the Public Library. If so, those volumes of the Statistical Association should be separated and given to some other institution. Other works which are not of a statistical character, which have found their way into the Library of our Association, should also be separated and shelved according to the general classification now in use by the Public Library.

Yours very truly,

(Signed)

DAVIS R. DEWEY,

Secretary.

I should add that current periodicals and issues received by the Association would be given to the Library at stated dates.

BUST OF SIR WALTER SCOTT.

BOLESIDE, GALASHIELS, N. B., 21st July, 1898.

THE SIR WALTER SCOTT MEMORIAL.

SIR,—The United States Ambassador has sent me your letter to him of the 6th instant, accepting, on behalf of the City of Boston, of the bust of Sir Walter Scott, purchased by the Westminster Committee from Mr. Hutchison, R.S.A., Edinburgh, with their surplus funds, and intended for the Public Library of your city. I shall, accordingly, at once cause the bust to be forwarded to the care of Your Honor. I believe that it will be appreciated, not only as a beautiful work of art, but as affording the citizens of Boston the gratification of having amongst them a very faithful counterpart of the features of that great genius, whose shrine so many of them annually visit. It is a very perfect copy of the famous Chantrey Bust in Abbotsford, and is, as you are aware, a duplicate of that placed last year in Westminster Abbey. I enclose a list of the subscribers to the Westminster Bust, which may not be without interest to the Library Trustees. I have the honor to be, Mr. Mayor,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed)

RICHARD LEES.

THE HON. JOSIAH QUINCY,
Mayor of Boston, U. S. America.

THE WESTMINSTER COMMITTEE ON THE SIR WALTER SCOTT
MEMORIAL, RICHARD LEES, *Honorary Secretary:*

SIR, — The Trustees of the Public Library in the City of Boston have received from His Honor, Josiah Quincy, Mayor, the Bust of Sir Walter Scott, purchased by the Westminster Committee from Mr. Hutchison, R.S.A., for deposit in this Library.

We are glad to have so faithful a copy of Chantrey's celebrated work among our treasures of literature and art, and we are grateful for the generosity of the subscribers, and still more for the spirit which has prompted the gift.

We recognize in this act of international courtesy a mark of that growing harmony of interests between the two leading powers in the civilization of the world, which, if sometimes latent, always has been strong beneath all disturbing incidents, and which, well directed, may be the assurance of peace and prosperity to the nations of the earth.

The patrons of this Library will always view with admiration the bust of this great magician who touched all the incidents of history, the customs of the period and the eminent characters of the time, bringing them into finished and immortal pictures which have put succeeding ages under grateful obligations.

If Sir Walter's genius was descriptive rather than creative there yet runs through all his writings such a loftiness and purity of moral sentiment that they have furnished the world with a vast amount of cheer and hope, and we rejoice to find that this delight which he has already provided for three generations shows no decline in the readers of a great Public Library to-day.

With highest respect and esteem, the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston:

(Signed) FREDERICK O. PRINCE, *President.*
JOSIAH H. BENTON, JR.,
H. P. BOWDITCH,
JAMES DE NORMANDIE,
SOLOMON LINCOLN.
HERBERT PUTNAM,

Librarian and Clerk of the Corporation.

Dated at Boston, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, U.S.A., in the year of our Lord 1898, and of the founding of the city, 269.

ORIGINAL BLOCKS OF WOOD ENGRAVINGS, EXECUTED BY ROBERT
LOUIS STEVENSON.

Care of MITCHELL & BAXTER, W. S., 11 SOUTH CHARLOTTE STREET,
EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND, November 8, 1898.

Secretary, Boston Library :

DEAR SIR, — Mrs. R. L. Stevenson begs me to write and ask you whether the Library would care to receive as a gift a set of twenty-four wood engravings (original blocks) executed by her husband, the well-known novelist? Fac-simile impressions of these blocks were used in the Bonus Volume of the "Edinburgh Edition" of Robert Louis Stevenson's works, and must therefore be already known to you. At present the blocks are in the possession of Messrs. Constable & Co., the Edinburgh printers, who are printing from them a limited number of copies for certain subscribers on the understanding that when the work is completed the blocks shall be handed to a public institution which shall bind itself that they shall never be used again. Would your great Library, therefore, be willing to receive these blocks *on this pledge of never reproducing copies from them?* The blocks are valuable only from the sentiment and association attached to them.

If the Library should be willing to accept them, might I ask you to write accordingly to Mr. Charles Baxter . . . the late Mr. Stevenson's executor — whom I have instructed to send you the blocks on the completion of the volume at present in Messrs. Constable's hands. Mrs. Stevenson is leaving in a week's time for Madeira, where she is to spend the winter, and is therefore unable to take charge of the matter herself.

I remain

Very truly yours,

(Signed)

LLOYD OSBOURNE.

HENRY SARGENT CODMAN MEMORIAL.

BROOKLINE, January 2, 1899.

The Trustees of the Boston Public Library :

GENTLEMEN, — Under date of May 24, 1897, and January 21, 1898, your Board has received from Mr. Charles F. McKim communications with reference to a fund which friends of the late Henry Sargent Codman of Brookline propose to turn over to the Boston Public Library to be known as the Henry Sargent Codman Memorial Fund.

Mr. McKim addressed you as Trustee of the fund, and under date of January 21 he enclosed a check for the amount then on hand, \$2,852.41.

He communicated to you the aim of the donors that the fund should be used "to perpetuate the memory" of Mr. Codman "by keeping alive, maintaining, and from time to time adding to the plants, trees, and other foliage, within the Public Library, provided this should be acceptable to the Trustees."

Since the above was written, consideration has induced the donors of the fund to believe that it might more effectively be utilized in some other way, for instance, particularly by the purchase of books upon landscape gardening.

I am now authorized, acting in behalf of Mr. McKim as well as of the various contributors to the fund, to assent to this disposal of the fund. And this assent applies both to the amount already turned in and to any contributions that may be subsequently added to it.

It is the desire of the donors that a special book-plate shall be inserted in each one of the volumes purchased from the fund, identifying it as part of this memorial collection.

Very truly yours,

(Signed)

M. R. SARGENT.

APPENDIX XIII.

GIFTS.

See also pp. 5, 10, 21, 23, 26-29 of main body of report.

Givers	1,946
Volumes	11,245
Numbers	15,560
Photographs, engravings, etc.	309
Newspaper subscriptions. (Gift of the publishers)	69

1. ENDOWMENTS.

January 2, 1899. From the friends of the late
Henry Sargent Codman for the purchase of
books on landscape gardening, the sum of \$2,852 41

2. WORKS OF ART.

From the Committee on the Scott Memorial in Westminster
Abbey, a copy in marble (by John Hutchison, R.S.A.) of
the bust of Sir Walter Scott by Chantrey.

3. MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS OF MONEY.

From Miss Lilian Whiting, for arranging the Kate
Field Collection of Manuscript Letters, the sum of \$25 00

4. PHOTOGRAPHS, ENGRAVINGS, ETC.

Abbot Memorial Library	1 Photograph.
Anonymous	10 Photographs.
Avery, Samuel P.	2 Engravings.
Ball, William T. W.	1 Silver Medal.
Barnard, James M.	1 Photograph.
Bayridge Free Library	1 "
Boston City Hospital	2 Photographs.
Boston Browning Society	3 "
Brockton Public Library	2 "
Brown, Dr. Francis H.	4 Engravings.
Bullivant, William M.	1 Bronze Medal.
Carnegie Free Library	1 Photograph.
Butte Free Public Library	2 Photographs.
Case Memorial Library	2 "
Chevalier, Samuel A.	1 Photograph.
Columbia University	1 Photograph and 1 Bronze Medal.
Coolidge, Baldwin	3 Photographs.
Curtis & Cameron	4 "
Erie Public Library	3 Illustrations.

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Western Australia. Department of Lands and Surveys, <i>Perth.</i>	2	
— Patent Office, <i>Perth</i>	2	27
Western Reserve University, <i>Cleveland, O.</i>	1	1
Westford, <i>Mass.</i> , J. V. Fletcher Library	1	
Wheeler, Prof. Benjamin Ide, <i>Ithaca, N.Y.</i>	1	
Wheeler, Henry M., <i>Worcester, Mass.</i>	1	
Wheelwright, Andrew C.	17	24
Wheelwright, Edmund M.	2	
Wheelwright, Edward	11	89
White, Miss Caroline L., <i>New Haven, Conn.</i>	1	
Whitefield Public Library, <i>Whitefield, N.H.</i>		2
Whiting, Miss Lillian 800 manuscript letters	11	
Whitman College, <i>Walla Walla, Wash.</i>		1
Whitmore, William H.	1	
Whitney, Edward B., <i>New York City</i>	1	1
Whitney, Prof. Henry M., <i>Beloit, Wis.</i>	1	
Whitney, James L. 2 newspapers	19	47
Whitney, Prof. Josiah D., Estate of, <i>Cambridge, Mass.</i>	20	30
Whitney, William H.	1	
Whittelsey, Charles B., <i>Hartford, Conn.</i>	1	
Wigan Free Public Library, <i>Wigan, England</i>		2
Wiggin, James B., <i>Cambridgeport, Mass.</i> 1 broadside		
Wiggin, Rev. James H.		1
Wilder, Prof. Burt G., <i>Ithaca, N.Y.</i>		1
Wilkes-Barré Times, <i>Wilkesbarré, Pa.</i> 1898-99 subscription		
Williams, Rev. Edward F., <i>Chicago, Ill.</i>	1	
Williams, George H.	8	
Willis, Dr. John L. M., <i>Eliot, Me.</i>		1
Williston Seminary, <i>Easthampton, Mass.</i>		1
Wilmington Institute, <i>Wilmington, Del.</i>	1	1
Wilson, Louis N., <i>Worcester, Mass.</i>	2	
Wiltse, Henry M., <i>Chattanooga, Tenn.</i>	1	
Winchester, <i>Mass.</i> , Town of	1	
Winchester Home Corporation for Aged Women		2
Winn, Hon. Henry		1
Winona Free Public Library, <i>Winona, Minn.</i> 1 plan		
Winslow, Dr. W. H., <i>Vineyard Haven, Mass.</i>	1	
Winthrop Public Library, <i>Winthrop, Mass.</i>		1
Wisconsin. Secretary of State, <i>Madison</i>	1	
— State Board of Health, <i>Madison</i>	2	
Wisconsin Agricultural Experiment Station, <i>Madison, Wis.</i>		7
Wisconsin Free Library Commission, <i>Madison, Wis.</i>	2	1
Wisconsin State Historical Society, <i>Madison, Wis.</i>	13	
Withington, Dr. Charles F.	1	

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

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	Vols.	Nos.
Wittig, Edward C.	8	
Woburn Public Library, <i>Woburn, Mass.</i>		1
Wolcott, Governor Roger	1	
Wolverhampton Free Library Committee, <i>Wolverhampton, England</i>		2
Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society	1	
Woman's Board of Missions of the Congregational Church	2	
Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania, <i>Philadelphia, Pa.</i>	1	1
— Students' Association	1	
Woman's Medical College of the New York Infirmary for Women and Children, <i>New York City</i>		1
Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Massachusetts	1	
Woman's Voice 1898-99 subscription		7
Women's Educational and Industrial Union		6
Women's Institute Library, <i>London, England</i> . 1 broadside	2	
Wood, Allen F., <i>New York City</i>	1	
Wood, Henry	2	
Wood Music Co.	1	
Woodbridge, S. Homer		1
Woodbury, Charles J. H.	1	
Woodruff, Rev. C. Eveleigh, <i>Faversham, England</i>	1	
Woodruff, Thomas T., <i>La Junta, Col.</i>	2	
Worcester, <i>Mass.</i> , City of	3	
Worcester, <i>Mass.</i> , Free Public Library		1
Worcester Academy, <i>Worcester, Mass.</i>		1
Wright, Isaac A., <i>Kansas City, Mo.</i> 51 broadsides		
Wycliff Society, <i>London, England</i>	21	
Wyoming. Secretary of State, <i>Cheyenne</i>	1	2
Wyoming Agricultural Experiment Station, <i>Laramie, Wyo.</i>	1	2
Yale University, <i>New Haven, Conn.</i>	3	2
— Library	2	
— Observatory		1
Yarmouth Herald, Publishers of, <i>Yarmouth, Nova Scotia</i>	1	
Yearly Meeting of Friends, <i>Philadelphia, Pa.</i>		1
Yersin, Misses M. and J., <i>New York City</i>	1	
Yoneyama, U., <i>Tokio, Japan</i>	1	
Young, Prof. C. Howard, <i>Hartford, Conn.</i>	1	
Young Men's Christian Associations of North America, International Committee, Trustees of, <i>New York City</i>	1	1
Young Men's Christian Association of the City of New York		1
Zaborowski, Dr. S., <i>Paris, France</i>	1	
Zaehnsdorf, Joseph W., <i>London, England</i>	1	
Zoological Society of Tokio, <i>Tokio, Japan</i>		3
Zürich, <i>Switzerland</i> , Stadtbibliothek		1
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APPENDIX XIV.

ORDERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND MEMORANDUM
OF PETITIONS, ETC.

The following are the orders passed by the City Government during the year ending January 31, 1899, which have been communicated to the Trustees as affecting the Library Department :

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, March 7, 1898.

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Public Library be requested to include in their estimates of appropriation for the Library Department for the current year the sum of fifteen hundred (1,500) dollars for the purpose of establishing a reading-room and delivery station of the Public Library, in the vicinity of the junction of Hampden and Dudley streets, Roxbury.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 10 came up concurred.

A true copy.

Attest :

(Signed)

JOHN T. PRIEST,
Assistant City Clerk.

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN COMMON COUNCIL, March 24, 1898.

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Public Library be authorized to draw from the city treasury the sum of fifteen hundred (1,500) dollars to be placed in the hands of the Library Auditor for meeting petty current expenses, to be accounted for before the close of the fiscal year ; the same to be charged to the appropriation for the Library Department.

Passed. Sent up for concurrence.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, March 28.

Concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 31, 1898.

A true copy.

Attest :

(Signed)

JOHN T. PRIEST,
Assistant City Clerk.

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN COMMON COUNCIL, May 19, 1898.

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Public Library, through His Honor the Mayor, be requested to erect a flag-staff and fly a flag therefrom, in front of the Central Library Building; the expense of the same to be charged to Library Appropriation.

Passed. Sent up for concurrence.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, May 23.

Concurred.

The foregoing order was presented to the Mayor, May 24, 1898, and was not returned by him within ten days thereafter.

A true copy.

Attest:

(Signed)

JOHN T. PRIEST,
Assistant City Clerk.

The following reply of the Librarian, dated June 9, 1898, was approved by the Trustees June 10, 1898:

June 9, 1898.

HON. JOSIAH QUINCY,

Mayor:

DEAR SIR,—In behalf of the Trustees I beg to acknowledge the receipt of a copy of an order of the City Council as follows:
(Order as above.)

With reference to the above I beg to state that there is already, and has been for some time past, a flag-staff *projecting* in front of the Library building; and that a flag has been displayed thereon consecutively for weeks past, and was so displayed at the time the above order was introduced.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

HERBERT PUTNAM,
Librarian.

CITY OF BOSTON,
IN COMMON COUNCIL, December 29, 1898.

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Public Library be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to submit to the Board of Appropriation in their annual estimates, an additional sum of two thousand (2,000) dollars, to be expended for the establishment

of a reading-room in the vicinity of Andrew square, South Boston.

Passed. Sent up for concurrence.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, December 31.

Concurred.

A true copy.

Attest:

(Signed)

JOHN T. PRIEST,
Assistant City Clerk.

CITY OF BOSTON,

IN COMMON COUNCIL, January 26, 1899.

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Public Library, through His Honor the Mayor, be requested to establish a reading-room in Ward 13.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, January 26, 1899.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

(Signed)

DANIEL J. KILEY,
President.

CITY OF BOSTON,

IN COMMON COUNCIL, January 26, 1899.

Ordered, That the Trustees of the Public Library be requested and authorized, through His Honor the Mayor, to establish a Public Reading-room in the building formerly the pumping station, and now used for ward-room purposes, on Elmwood street, Roxbury.

FREDERICK W. KLEMM, Ward 21.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, January 26, 1899.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

(Signed)

DANIEL J. KILEY,
President.

MEMORANDA.

Two petitions were received during the year, one from residents praying for a Branch Library at Grove Hall, one from District 13 Conference of the Associated Charities, for a Reading-room

and Delivery Station in Ward 17. In addition, communications have been received from seven private sources recommending the establishment of stations in several sections of the city.

From time to time question has been raised as to the proper form of a gift or bequest for the benefit of the Library. The following form is therefore appended. The Trustees are a corporation, and are entitled to receive and hold bequests. Gifts or bequests to the city for the benefit of the Library would of course be equally applied to its uses :

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath unto The Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston, a corporation created by and existing under the laws of the State of Massachusetts, the sum of dollars, to be applied for the benefit of the Public Library of the City of Boston.

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CENTRAL LIBRARY BUILDING, COPLEY SQUARE.

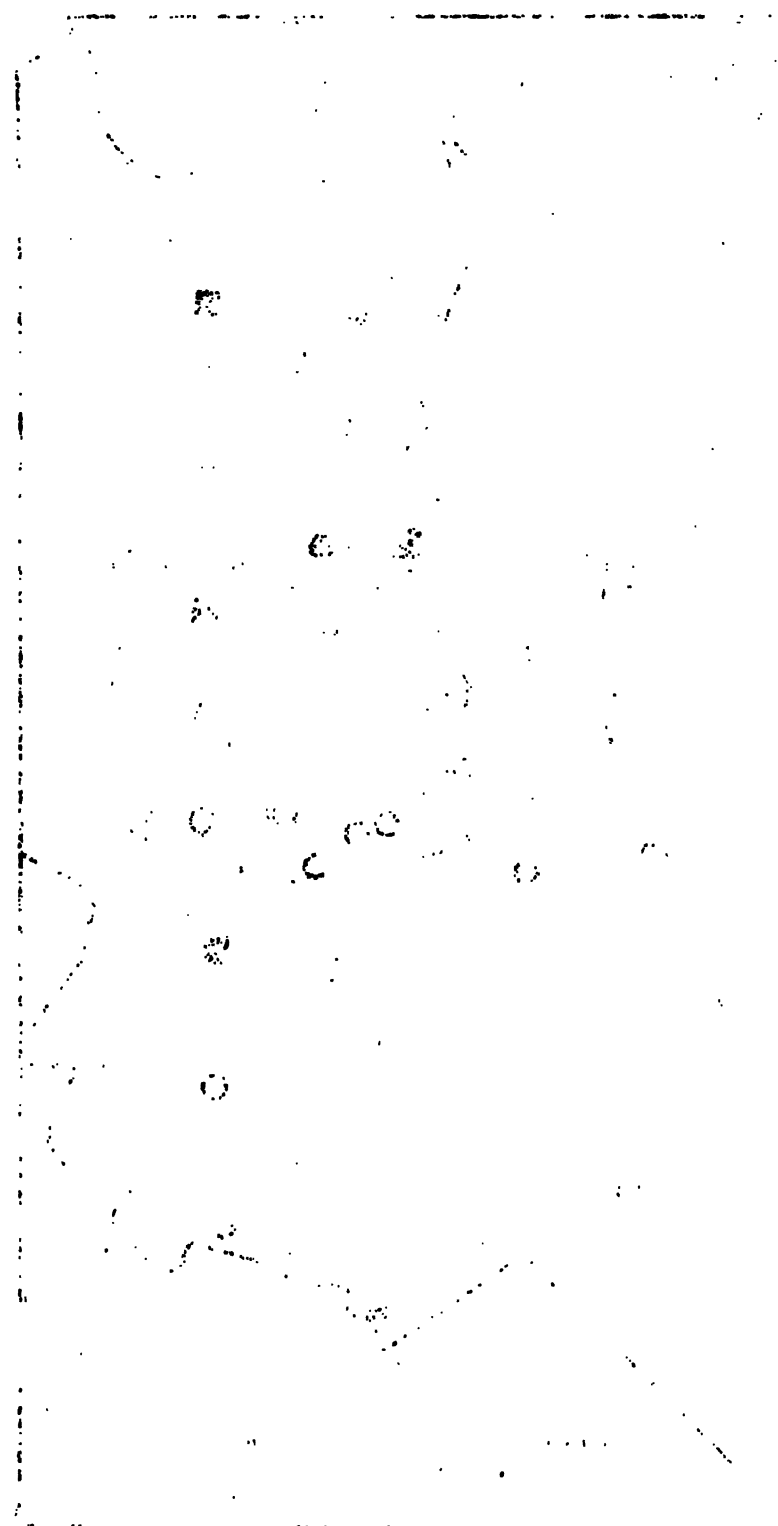
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LIBRARY SYSTEM, FEBRUARY 1, 1900.

DEPARTMENTS.	Opened.	Volumes, Jan. 31, 1900.	Circulated for home use, 1899-1900.
Central Library, Copley sq. Established May 2, 1854...	Mar. 11, 1895	579,653	430,987
† East Boston Branch, 87 Meridian st.....	Jan. 28, 1871	11,559	58,967
§ South Boston Branch, 372 Broadway.....	May 1, 1873	14,472	74,280
§§ Roxbury Branch, 46 Millmont st.....	July, 1873	83,425	80,422
† Charlestown Branch, City sq.....	*Jan., 1874	81,943	45,289
† Brighton Branch, Rockland st.....	*Jan., 1874	14,857	36,017
† Dorchester Branch, Arcadia, cor. Adams st.....	Jan. 25, 1875	15,927	52,654
† South End Branch, English High School Building, Montgomery st.....	Aug., 1877	13,821	85,423
† Jamaica Plain Branch, Curtis Hall, Centre st.....	Sept., 1877	12,525	46,558
† West Roxbury Branch, Centre, near Mt. Vernon st....	*Jan. 6, 1880	4,521	22,649
† West End Branch, Cambridge, cor. Lynde st.....	Feb. 1, 1896	11,323	123,901
Station A. Lower Mills Reading Room, Washington st..	June 7, 1875	88	5,297
" B. Roalindale Delivery Station, 25 Poplar st...	Dec. 3, 1878	.....	14,025
" D. Mattapan Reading Room, River, cor. Oak- land st.....	Dec. 27, 1881	98	3,851
" E. Neponset Delivery Station, 49 Walnut st....	Jan. 1, 1883	.....	6,175
" F. Mt. Bowdoin Reading Room, Washington, cor. Eldon st.....	Nov. 1, 1886	992	10,865
" G. Allston Delivery Station, 14 Franklin st....	Mar. 11, 1889	.....	9,675
" H. Ashmont Delivery Station, 4 Talbot ave.....	July 26, 1890	.....	8,072
" J. Dorchester Station Delivery Station, 157 Norfolk st.....	Nov. 12, 1890	.....	8,430
" K. Bird Street Delivery Station, 6 Wayland st.	Jan. 22, 1892	.....	5,071
" L. North Brighton Reading Room, 56 Mar- ket st.....	May 9, 1892	75	3,748
" M. Crescent Avenue Delivery Station, 1002 Dorchester ave.....	June 25, 1892	.....	6,131
" N. Blue Hill Avenue Delivery Station, 200 Blue Hill ave.....	Apr. 29, 1892	.....	10,247
" P. Broadway Extension Delivery Station, 13 Broadway Extension.....	Jan. 16, 1896	1,754	24,113
" Q. Upham's Corner Delivery Station, 752 Dud- ley st.....	Mar. 16, 1896	.....	15,191
" R. Warren Street Delivery Station, 329 War- ren st.....	May 1, 1896	.....	13,642
" S. Roxbury Crossing Delivery Station, 1173 Tremont st.....	Jan. 18, 1897	213	13,021
" T. Boylston Delivery Station, Lamartine, cor. Paul Gore st.....	Nov. 1, 1897	137	9,940
" U. Ward Nine Delivery Station, 62 Union Park st.....	Dec. 27, 1898	.....	13,442
" W. Industrial School Delivery Station, 39 North Bennet st.....	Nov. 3, 1899	.....	2,255

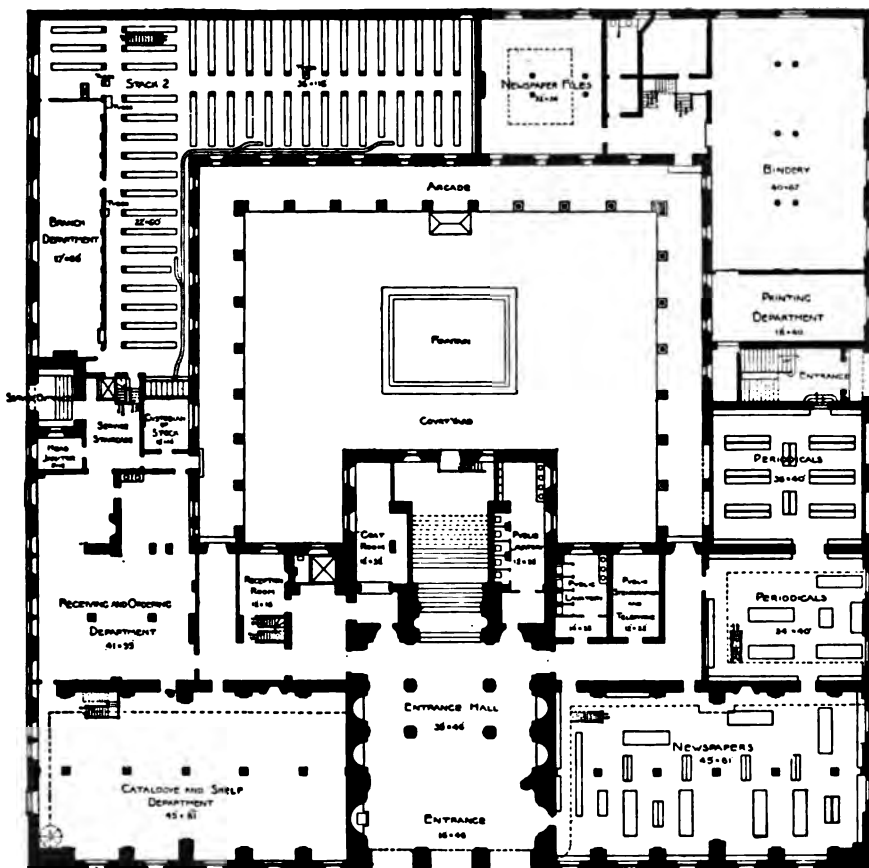
* As a branch.

† In buildings owned by the city, and exclusively devoted to library uses.

‡ In city buildings, in part devoted to other municipal uses.

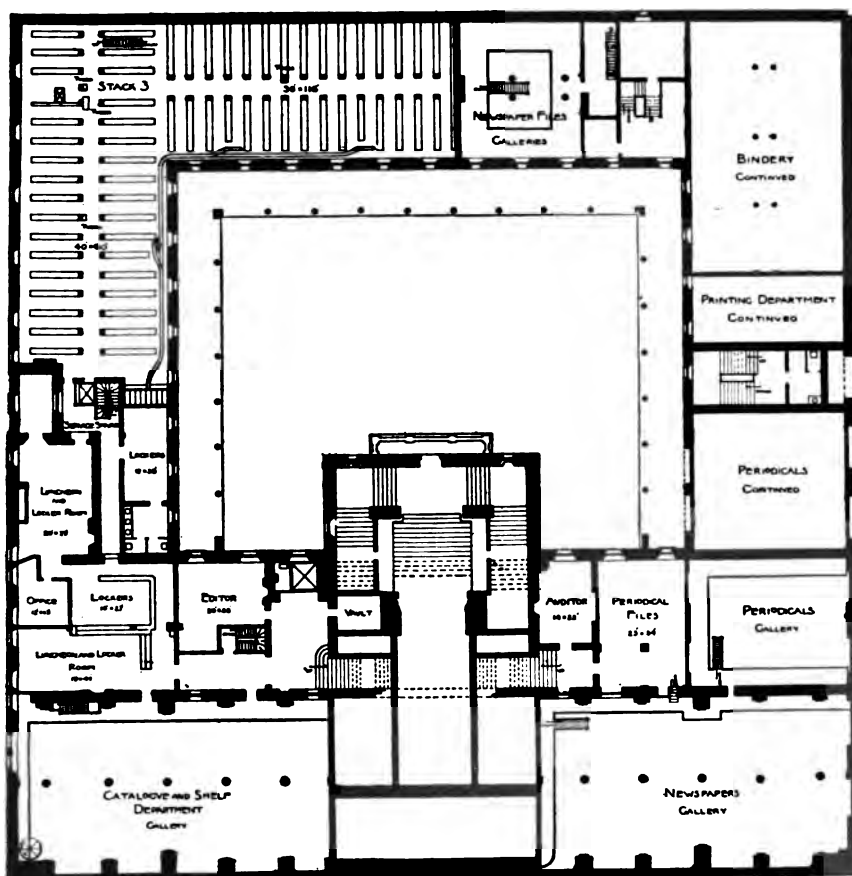
§ Occupies rented rooms.

§§ The lessee of the Fellows Athenaeum, a private library association.

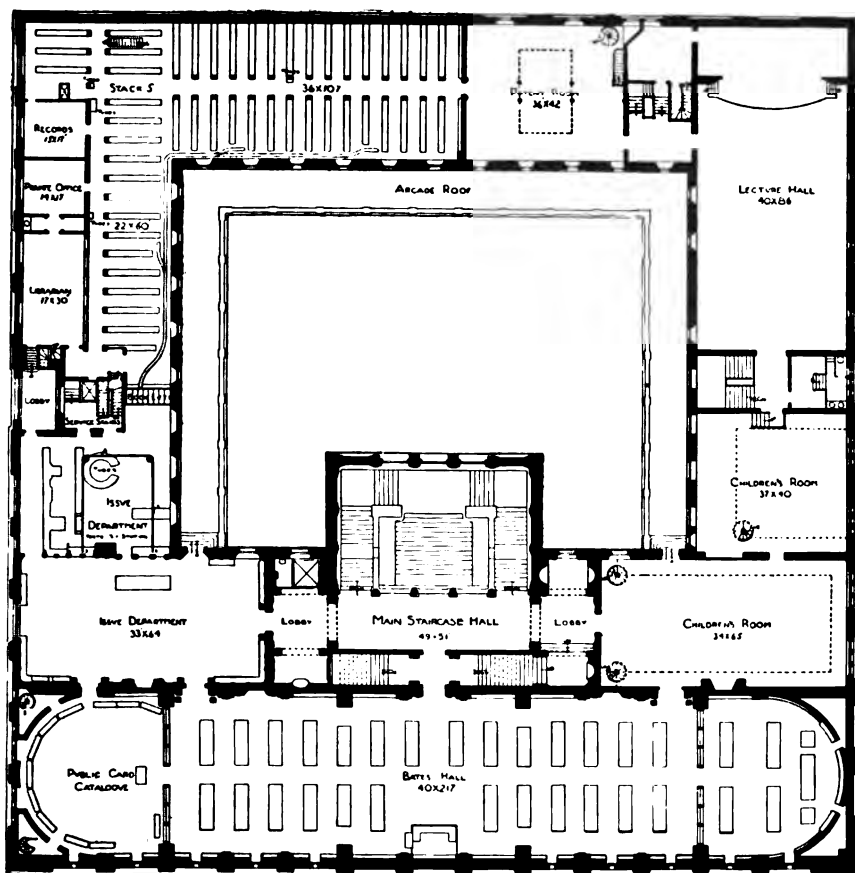


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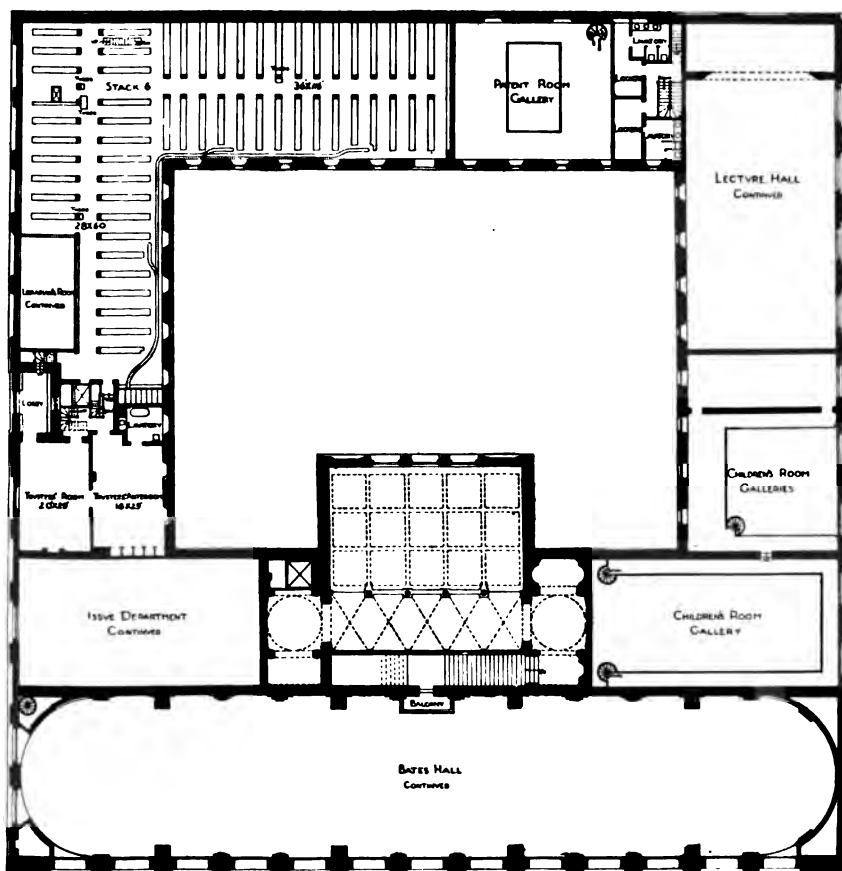
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CENTRAL LIBRARY, ENTRESOL A.



CENTRAL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR.



CENTRAL LIBRARY, ENTRESOL B.

TO HIS HONOR THOMAS N. HART,

Mayor of the City of Boston :

The Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston present the following report of its condition for the year ending January 31, 1900, being the forty-eighth annual report. They present also the reports of the Librarian, of the Auditor, of various heads of departments, and of the Examining Committee of Citizens. They ask for these the especial attention of all interested in the Library. There will be found in them much information relating to its management, the extent of its use, its increase by purchase and gifts, and the methods adopted to make its resources known and available, and also many details which it is inexpedient to incorporate in this general report.

The Library suffered serious loss during the year by the resignation of the Librarian, Mr. Herbert Putnam, and by the death of Mr. Philip Henry Savage, the Clerk of the Corporation and Secretary of the Librarian.

Mr. Putnam had been the Librarian since the opening of the present building. He was admirably fitted for the duties of the office, and by his learning, his tact and his executive ability he was rapidly perfecting an efficient system of administration, and greatly expanding the usefulness of the Library.

He resigned his position on April 3, 1899, having been appointed Librarian of the Library of Congress.

Mr. Savage died on June 4, 1899. He was Secretary to the Librarian, and had recently been elected Clerk of the Cor-

poration. His office brought him in immediate contact with the public. He discharged its duties with marked wisdom, and gave clear promise of future usefulness.

Mr. James L. Whitney, long connected with the Library, and for many years at the head of the Catalogue Department, was appointed Acting Librarian on March 31, 1899, and Librarian on December 22, 1899. Mr. Otto Fleischner, Custodian of Special Libraries, was appointed Assistant Librarian on January 12, 1900.

The deaths of two gentlemen occurred during the past year, who, although not connected at the time with the Library, deserve mention in this report.

Hon. Frederick O. Prince died on June 6, 1899. He had but a short time previously resigned his office as a Trustee, a position which he had filled since 1888, having been in the latter years President of the Board. His urbanity, his deep interest in the Library and his faithful attention to his duties were conspicuous, and gave great value to his services.

Mr. William W. Greenough died on June 17, 1899. He was chosen a Trustee in 1856, retiring in 1888. For twenty-two years he was President of the Board. Probably no one ever contributed so much time and devotion to the Library as he, and to no one is due a larger share of its success. His interest in it continued to his death.

The vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mayor Prince was filled by the appointment of Dr. Thomas Dwight. The Board was reorganized by the election of Mr. Solomon Lincoln as President, and Dr. James DeNormandie as Vice-President. Mr. Josiah H. Benton, Jr., was reappointed a Trustee to serve for five years from May 1, 1899.

The financial condition of the Library for the past year is briefly exhibited as follows :

EXPENSES.

For salaries	\$170,424 88
“ books and photographs . .	26,837 87
“ periodicals	5,820 57
“ newspapers	1,970 38
“ general maintenance . .	66,397 35
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	\$271,451 05

RECEIPTS.

City appropriation	\$255,000 00
Income of trust funds . . .	12,337 77
Miscellaneous sources, gifts, e'tc.,	4,113 28
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	\$271,451 05

In execution of a power vested in them by a statute of the Commonwealth, the Trustees in February, 1899, sold the old Library building on Boylston street for \$850,000 to the Executors and Trustees acting under the will of the late Frederick L. Ames. The proceeds were paid to the Board of Commissioners of the Sinking-Funds of Boston.

The Trustees think it proper again to call attention to the fact that the income of the Library—never completely sufficient—continues to be diminished by two charges with which, as it seems to them, it should not be burdened. The annual expense of collecting fines imposed for the misuse of books, amounting to \$1,500 or more, falls upon the general appropriation, while the fines collected, amounting to \$5,000 or more annually, are paid into the city treasury.

It seems reasonable to ask that this sum, which in effect represents largely a deterioration in the value of the books, should be restored to the Library in order to replace this loss.

In the second place the Library publishes during the year a considerable number of bulletins, catalogues and other publications, which are of peculiar value in themselves, which attract widespread notice, and secure for the Library much deserved reputation and indirect pecuniary gain. Some of these publications are sold. The expense of preparing and printing them falls upon the appropriation for the Library, while all receipts from their sales are without deduction paid into the city treasury.

In both cases it seems just that only the net receipts after deducting expenses should be paid into the city treasury.

The changes in the Library building, completed during the preceding year have proved to be distinct improvements, have added greatly to the convenient administration of the Library, and have expedited the delivery of books. The building itself is carefully protected and maintained and suffers no deterioration, notwithstanding the great number of visitors and readers, but the books have suffered from constantly increasing use, augmented by the wear of transfer from the old building. A very considerable number need rebinding and are necessarily withdrawn from circulation. It is impossible for the Trustees to supply from their current income the money required for this purpose, and a large special appropriation is needed in the interest of true economy.

The Trustees report as usual a constant growth of the Library and of its use. The number of card-holders has increased during the past year, but by reason of the com-

mencement of a new registration on February 1, 1899, it is impossible to make an accurate comparison with preceding years.

The number of books has increased by the addition of 80,506 volumes through purchase and gifts. The gifts of books during the past year have been larger and more valuable than usual. Of these and of other important gifts the Librarian's report contains a detailed account.

The Library system has been increased during the year by the addition of ten delivery and deposit stations. Applications for farther extensions are constantly received, usually beyond the means at the command of the Trustees to grant.

To exhibit the improvements and growth of the catalogues would require a more detailed statement than is here possible. The work is vast, and yet escapes the notice of the ordinary visitor. The usefulness of the Library depends upon it in large degree, and although the work is never done, a constant gain has been made, and the resources of the Library are more at command than ever before.

The officials of the Library have constantly sought to improve its usefulness in various ways—for instance, through its publications, which are enumerated in the report of Mr. Swift, the editor, and by the frequent collection and exhibition in the Library of books and prints relating to subjects of immediate interest, or connected with the work of pupils in the public schools.

A department of manuscripts has been established. The Library owns many valuable papers and documents which serve as the foundation of a valuable collection.

The Examining Committee of Citizens for the past year was constituted as follows:

Hon. Charles Allen.
Mr. William F. Apthorp.
Mr. Alfred Bowditch.
Hon. Henry W. Bragg.
Francis H. Brown, M.D.
Very Rev. Wm. Byrne.
Hon. P. A. Collins.
Rev. A. T. Connolly.
Mr. James C. Davis.
Rev. E. W. Donald, D.D.
Mr. Chas. F. Donnelly.
Wm. H. Ensworth, M.D.
Hon. J. D. Fallon.
Mr. Thomas J. Gargan.
Rev. G. A. Gordon, D.D.
Mr. Alfred Hemenway.

Mr. Francis L. Higginson.
Mr. Thomas Hills.
Rev. E. A. Horton.
Miss E. F. Mason.
Mr. Frank S. Mason.
Mr. John Noble.
Mr. William L. Putnam.
Mr. Henry R. Reed.
Rev. W. D. Roberts.
Mr. James J. Roche.
Mr. Charles P. Searle.
Mrs. H. H. Sprague.
Miss Frances H. Turner.
Mr. Horace G. Wadlin.
Mrs. Darwin E. Ware.

A copy of their report is submitted.

The Trustees welcome the intelligent interest of such committees and give careful attention to their suggestions.

The use of the Library keeps pace with the growth of the city, and hence demands constantly increasing appropriations of money. But the Trustees believe that the liberal gifts of the city have been faithfully and wisely used, and that, within reasonable limits, no public expenditure produces better returns.

The Library is now well known in both hemispheres, and its custodians receive daily evidence of the high rank it holds and the well-deserved reputation which it secures for the city.

SOLOMON LINCOLN,

President.

JAMES DE NORMANDIE,

Vice-President.

JOSIAH H. BENTON, JR.

HENRY P. BOWDITCH.

THOMAS DWIGHT.

MAY 4, 1900.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Trustees :

The report of the Librarian for the year ending January 31, 1900, is hereby respectfully submitted.

THE LIBRARY SYSTEM.

The Library system has been increased during the year by the establishment of one delivery and deposit station (Station W), and two deliveries to city institutions. Deposits have been sent to one additional engine-house and to seven additional public schools. One delivery (that to the Hancock School) has been discontinued.

The Library system comprises :

The Central Library, on Copley square.

Ten branch libraries, with considerable permanent collections of books.

Five reading-rooms, all of them also delivery and deposit stations, and two, stations F (Mt. Bowdoin) and P (Broadway Extension), having also independent permanent collections of books.

Fourteen delivery stations, all also deposit stations.

Twenty-three engine-houses and one post-office (the Back Bay station) receiving books on deposit.

Five public schools (two high and three grammar schools) receiving deposits from the Central Library, and six schools with deposits from the branch libraries.

Five institutions, receiving deposits.

Two deliveries to officers of city institutions.

A total, besides the Central Library, of seventy-one agencies, as against sixty-one on February 1, 1899, and fifty-seven on February 1, 1898.

Petitions have been received for additional Library agencies, but the funds at the disposal of the Trustees have not allowed the additional expense. Wards 1, 17 and 19 are districts which especially need delivery stations.

THE LIBRARIAN.

Mr. Herbert Putnam, chief officer of the Library, resigned his position April 3, 1899, to become the Librarian of Congress.

Mr. Putnam came, four years before, at a critical time, to this Library. The new building had just been opened to the public, and the Library waited, with all its possibilities, to be set in motion. New departments were to be established and existing ones developed, and the entire institution put upon an enduring basis. To these ends his rare organizing and administrative powers were bent, with a success everywhere manifest.

Mr. Putnam's associates here regret that their friend and chief can no longer be with them, and extend their best wishes to him in his new field of work.

Mr. James L. Whitney, the Chief of the Catalogue Department, was appointed the Acting Librarian, March 31, 1899, and on December 22, was chosen the Librarian. On January 12, 1900, Mr. Otto Fleischner, Custodian of Special Libraries, was appointed the Assistant Librarian.

FINANCE.

The receipts and payments of the Library during the year are given in detail in the statement of the Auditor (Appendix I. of this report).

The estimated cost of maintaining the Library for the year, as submitted to the city government, on December 17, 1898, was	\$287,059
The amount granted by the general appropriation was	255,000

Difference	\$32,059
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Since the estimates were based on close calculations, item by item, of actual needs, the problem of saving this large sum was a serious one, and only accomplished with prejudice to the Library.

By reason of vacancies in the offices of the Librarian and the Librarian's Secretary, and other officials, the salary account was reduced \$6,513.63. The much needed allowance for the binding of books was reduced \$10,692.26. Of the seriousness of this reduction, further mention is made later in this report. The reduction fell heaviest on books and periodicals, namely, about \$13,000, and but for the reduction of salaries referred to above, the sum at the disposal of the Trustees for popular books would have been entirely inadequate.

The Library has not yet been able to adjust itself to the cutting off of its former income from rentals, and from the receipts from fines and sales of its publications. These amounts since 1898 have been turned into the general income

account of the city, and are no longer specially available for the use of the Library. No allowance has been made to the Library for the loss of these considerable sums.

ENDOWMENTS.

By the provisions of the will of the late Daniel Sharpe Ford, publisher of the Youth's Companion, the sum of \$6,000 was bequeathed to the Boston Public Library. This bequest has not yet been received. The endowments of the Library are the same as last year, namely, \$220,150, the income from which can be used for the purchase of books, and \$50,000, the income to be used for newspapers (Todd newspaper fund). The income from the book funds is \$9,385 a year, with the prospect of a decrease as lower rates of interest prevail. This sum is insufficient to purchase the books of permanent value needed by the Library. During the past year attention has been called in the Boston newspapers to the "Needs of the Boston Public Library," in the matter of increased endowment. These articles are deemed of especial significance, and are reprinted in the closing pages of this report.

GROSS INCOME AND EXPENDITURE.

Gross Income. — The gross income of the Library from all sources, including balances February 1, 1899, except special appropriations, was as follows:

General appropriation	\$255,000 00
Trust funds:	
Income in hands of the City Treasurer	14,426 76
Miscellaneous donations for the purchase of books and photographs	1,865 88
Exchange account	1,585 25
Interest on bank deposit	1,670 65
Codman memorial fund (principal)	2 00
London accounts:	
Trust funds	\$14,473 12
General book funds	11,819 04
Interest on above	383 08
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	26,675 24
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	\$301,225 78
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<i>Expenditure.</i> — From general income	\$255,000 00
From exchange account (money refunded)	15 40
From trust funds income (including Todd fund)	12,337 77
From general book fund	2,495 03
From miscellaneous gifts	1,602 85
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	\$271,451 05

A nominal balance on February 1, 1900, would appear as \$29,774.73. This is, however, subject to outstanding obligations and in part to special restrictions. The available balance is but \$22,690.94 made up as follows:

Applicable to photographs	\$28 74	
Applicable to books, as follows:		
Trust funds income: nominal balance	\$16,735 23	
Less outstanding orders and necessary reserve for continuations	6,283 13	
		10,452 10
General book funds	\$9,533 97	
Less outstanding orders	798 66	
		8,735 31
Exchange account		1,569 85
Interest: domestic account		1,670 65
Cash donations: balances on hand		234 29
Codman memorial fund (principal \$2).		
		<hr/> \$22,690 94

It is to be observed further that the bulk of the above available balance is composed of funds applicable only to the purchase of books, and to a great extent of funds which must be reserved for the purchase of books of a very special character, *e.g.*, the Charlotte Harris fund — balance \$4,218.18 — restricted to the purchase of books published prior to 1850.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Those with apparent existing balances are the Building appropriation (construction of Copley Square building), Furnishing appropriation (Copley Square building), and the appropriation for Improvement of the Broadway Extension Delivery Station. The Auditor's exhibit shows:

<i>Building Appropriation.</i> — Nominal balance un-	
certified February 1, 1899	\$110,116 00
Expenditures, 1899	24,681 30
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Nominal balance	\$85,434 70
Against which are contracts amount-	
ing to	\$81,000 00
And claims amounting to	8,085 61
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	89,085 61
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Indicating a deficit of	\$3,650 91

to be met by application of the balance of the Furnishing appropriation so far as necessary.

<i>Furnishing Appropriation.</i> —Balance, February 1, 1899		\$13,336 21
Expenditures, 1899		8,514 40
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		\$4,821 81
<i>Broadway Extension, Improvement Appropriation.</i> —Balance, February 1, 1899		\$3,456 88
Expenditures, 1899-1900		445 96
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		\$3,010 92

BUILDINGS, EQUIPMENT, AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION.

The opening of the library year found the extensive "improvements upon the new Library building and the fittings thereof," for which the City of Boston had provided the sum of \$100,000, well-nigh finished. Under the direction of Mr. Herbert Putnam, the Librarian, these changes had been wisely and economically carried out. They have given to the Library increased facilities for administration, enlarged accommodations for readers, and much-needed additional machinery, administrative equipment and furniture. These are described at length in the last annual report.

WORKS OF ART.

Crawford's statue of Beethoven, now the property of the Handel and Haydn Society, has been deposited in trust with the Trustees of this Library. It is placed in a niche in the entrance hall; it was formerly in the Boston Music Hall.

A bronze bust of Wendell Phillips, by Milmore, has been given to the Library by Mr. A. Shuman, through the Wendell Phillips Memorial Association.

Mr. Richard E. Brooks has been commissioned by the City of Boston to make a bronze memorial of the late Gen. Francis A. Walker. The memorial is to have a place in the Library, and is to consist of a portrait bust, with a curved bronze background, set well into the granite wall of the arcade of the interior court.

Other works of art are planned for the court-yard of the Library.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

The books added to the Library during the year have been of a high grade. The representation of continental literature (especially French literature) is particularly strong.

This is owing to the rare chance offered at the Montaignon sale in May and June, 1899, to obtain the carefully selected books of a scholar, and at very reasonable rates. The collection of Americana in the Library has been notably increased through purchases at auction sales. The same may be said of the departments of fine arts, geography, political economy and sociology, as well as other departments.

The books added to the Library in 1899-1900, exclusive of transfers from one department to another, represent additions from four sources, namely: (1) Books purchased; (2) books received by exchange; (3) books received by gift; (4) volumes made up from current periodicals and other unbound material, hitherto not counted as volumes.

The additions to the Library, for the year, as distinguished from the number of books actually located and excluding mere transfers from one department to another, have been as follows:

	Central Library Volumes.	Branches, Volumes.	Total Volumes.
Added by purchase	12,257	6,420	18,677
Added by gift	7,101	373	7,474
Added by exchange for Library publica- tions, etc.	655	—	655
Added by periodicals, bound	2,600	—	2,600
Added by other material, bound, chiefly from the Statistical Department	1,100	—	1,100
Total	23,713	6,793	*30,506

In Appendixes II.-V. the extent of the Library by years is shown, with a summary of the contents of the Library on January 31, 1900, the net increase of the several departments during the past ten years, and the classification of the books in the Central Library on January 31, 1900.

On January 31, 1899, the number of volumes in the Central Library and branches was 716,050. On January 31, 1900, as appears by the tables appended to this report, there were in all departments of the library 746,383 volumes. The increase for the year is therefore * 30,333 volumes.

Books bought for the Central Library:	Volumes.
City appropriation	8,054
Trust funds	4,203
Books added to the branches:	
City appropriation	5,141
Special appropriation	432
Fellowes Athenæum	847
Total	18,677

* The number given above, 30,506, represents volumes added to the Library; the number, 30,333, represents volumes that have been catalogued and placed on the shelves.

The expenditure for books and periodicals for the past year was \$31,078.59 as against \$34,935.10 in 1898. This does not include \$1,970.38 expended from the income of the Todd fund for current newspapers, or \$392.01 paid for books for Station P out of a special appropriation for that station, nor \$1,001.23 paid by the Fellowes Athenæum for purchases made by the Central Library for the Roxbury Branch.

The payments have been as follows :

City money expended for books :

	1898.	1899.
For Central Library (including deposit collection) . . .	\$13,175 51	\$10,401 71
For branches . . .	4,021 82	4,488 92
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Trust funds expended for books . .	\$17,197 33	\$14,890 63
	11,837 71	10,367 39
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	\$29,035 04	\$25,258 02
City money expended for periodicals:		
For Central Library . . .	\$4,276 66	\$4,365 30
For branches . . .	1,623 40	1,455 27
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	5,900 06	5,820 57
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Total	\$34,935 10	\$31,078 59

The heaviest expenditure for any one class of books has been for English prose fiction. This has cost \$4,181.68, as against \$4,992 in 1898, or nearly thirty per cent. of the total appropriation by the city for books.

The sum of two hundred dollars was authorized to be expended for Italian fiction, with a view of making as complete as possible the list on this subject shortly to be published.

The largest collection of books purchased from the trust funds consisted of 1,290 volumes, obtained at the sale of the library of the late Anatole de Montaignon, and represents an expenditure of \$500. The books bought included archæology, history and general literature, especially relating to the literature of France and Italy in the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, including many metrical romances. Many of the volumes are autograph copies, and bear the annotations of M. de Montaignon, a man of letters, well known as a professor in the École des Chartes. This purchase, together with the gift (see Gifts) of Mr. Godfrey Michael Hyams, of one thousand dollars' worth of books from the same sale (the selection and purchase made by the Library) was a notable addition to the scholarly resources of the Library.

The sum of \$216.85 was expended at the sale of the Manson Historical Library, chiefly on local history and some first editions of American poetry for the Artz collection. In this sale was secured N. H. Brackenridge's *Battle of Bunker's Hill*, a dramatic piece of five acts in heroic measure. By a Gentleman of Maryland: Philadelphia, 1776.

Other purchases of special importance made from trust funds are as follows:

For the Fine Arts Collection. — *La Collection Dutuit.* Livres et manuscrits. Paris, 1899. Catalogue of the Collection of M. Auguste Dutuit, on large paper, with reproductions in colors of rare bindings.

Halsey's Pictures of early New York on dark blue Staffordshire pottery, with pictures of Boston, New England, Philadelphia and the West. New York, 1899. Contains many colored plates.

Die Marcus-Säule auf Piazza Colonna. München, 1896, containing 128 plates.

Museo Etrusco al Vaticano, Rome, 1842. 2 v. Large folio.

Japan described and illustrated by the Japanese. Written by eminent Japanese authorities and scholars. In 10 folio volumes. Boston, J. B. Millet Co., 1897.

Volumes I. and II. of Poynter's National Gallery. (All published so far.)

Photographs. — A collection of platinum prints: 86 portraits of American Indians, by F. A. Rinehart.

Seventy-two photographs of the antiquities and ethnography of America.

Forty-eight views of Boston before the fire of 1872.

For the Music Collection. — The rare full score of Meyerbeer's *L'Africaine*.

Publikationen aelterer praktischen und theoretischen Musikwerke, vorzugsweise der XV. und XVI. Jahrhundert.

Kelmscott Press. — Four issues of the Kelmscott Press were added, viz.:

Shelley: Poetical works. 3 volumes.

Morris: The wood beyond the world. 1894.

Morris: The well at the world's end. 1896.

Coleridge: Poems chosen out of his works. 1896.

The Library has now 23 issues of this press.

For the Bates Hall Reference Collection. — Rietstap's *Wapenboek van den nederlandschen adel.* Groningen. Large folio.

Flathe's *Allgemeine Weltgeschichte*, in 12 volumes.

Dechambre: *Dictionnaire encyclopédique des sciences médicales.* Paris, 1864-1888. In 100 volumes.

For the Ticknor Collection.—Don Quixote, edited by James Fitzmaurice Kelly. 2 volumes. London, 1898-99.

Boston Imprints.—The Boston Primer. Boston, Manning and Loring, 1808.

Benjamin Franklin's Advice to a young tradesman, printed at the New Printing Office of Benjamin Mecom, Boston. This pamphlet of four pages without date, conjectured to be one of the earliest impressions, was probably printed between 1762 and 1764. A London bookseller found this copy bound up with a contemporary pamphlet entitled Debtor and Creditor (also bought for the Library), and other miscellaneous material.

The rare first edition of Dr. Zabdiel Boylston's Historical account of the small-pox inoculated in New England, published in London in 1726.

The Acts and Laws of Massachusetts. Boston, Benjamin Harris. 1692.

For the Military Library.—A copy of Theodore Reichardt's Diary of Battery A, 1st regiment, Rhode Island Light Artillery. Published in Providence in 1865. A record which the Library had been seeking for some time.

From the John Boyle O'Reilly Fund.—A copy of O'Flaherty's Ogygia, or A chronological account of Irish public events. Dublin, 1793.

Other Purchases.—Les triüphes de fräce träslatez de latin en fräcois par maistre Jehā diury bachelier in medecine selō le texte de charles curre mamertin . . . Gothic letter, printed by Guillaume Eustache, on vellum, with woodcuts. Paris, 1508. A large clean copy from the Earl of Jersey's collection.

Erénchun's Anales de la Isla de Cuba. Diccionario administrativo, económico, estadístico y legislativo. Habana, 1856-59. 3 volumes.

The Stratford edition of the Bryant Shakespeare, published by Lippincott in 6 volumes.

Manuscripts.—A copy of "America" in autograph by S. F. Smith.

One hundred manuscript letters relating to the Know-nothing party movement, including the charter of the chapter, pass words, etc., also a printed copy of the constitution.

Other manuscripts are mentioned under "Manuscripts" later in the report.

Serials.—Complete sets. Annales du commerce extérieur, published by the French government. 1843-1898.

Archiv für Eisenbahnwesen. 1878-1898.

L'Économiste français. 1873-1898.

Finanz-Archiv. 1883-98.

Zeitschrift für Schulgesundheitspflege. Jahrgang, 1-12.

Some of the gifts of special importance are mentioned in an Appendix to this report, where may also be found a list of persons who have made gifts to the Library, with the number of volumes received.

CATALOGUE DEPARTMENT.

The Chief of the Catalogue Department having been appointed Acting Librarian, the department has been under Mr. Edward B. Hunt, Acting Chief Cataloguer, since March. From his report I select the following information.

WORK DONE.

The actual work of the department for the year is as follows:

	1899-1900.	1898-1899.
Number of volumes and parts catalogued,	47,782	47,615
Number of titles for the same	26,137	32,609
Number of new volumes and parts, Central Library	22,878	29,271
Number of titles for the same	15,188	23,269
Number of volumes and parts re-catalogued, Central Library	13,882	9,070
Number of titles for the same	4,225	3,803

The other 11,500 volumes of the 47,782 represent the serials added to the Central Library, and books for the branches.

From these figures it appears that the number of volumes catalogued is slightly in advance of last year. The fall in the number of titles is due largely to the fact that many books, not fiction, transferred from the Fiction Stack to the other stacks (a change which is in steady progress) were duplicates, and did not therefore count as titles, although the labor of cataloguing them was greater than is required for new titles.

The number of serials added during the year was 4,572 an increase of 1,214 over the number in 1898-1899.

For the branches there were:

	1899-1900. Vols.	1898-1899. Vols.
Catalogued	7,100	5,916
Titles of same	6,724	5,537

CO-OPERATIVE INDEX.

For the Co-operative index of scientific periodicals there have been catalogued 506 titles. There have been received, headings written therefor and filed, 2,672 titles.

CARDS IN THE VARIOUS CATALOGUES.

There have been printed, finished and filed in the various catalogues of the Library this year 153,500 cards, a gain over the highest number in any preceding year of over 32,000.

Since 1895, when the new building was opened, the number of cards placed in the different catalogues has been :

1895	.	.	.	82,993	} including the branch libraries.
1896	.	.	.	74,979	
1897	.	.	.	93,783	
1898	.	.	.	120,903	} excluding the branch libraries.
1899	.	.	.	153,500	

That is, the number is more than twice as large as in the old Library. This is due mainly to the establishment of special libraries, on the upper floor, each of which has an author and subject catalogue, in duplicate of the two general card catalogues. In these special catalogues were placed last year 45,320 cards, nearly thrice the usual number. This is due to the increase of titles for the Statistical Department, and the printing of cards in the letters A and B of the Allen A. Brown Library of Music.

FICTION CATALOGUE.

More vigorous and continued work than heretofore is in progress on the Card Catalogue of fiction and books for the young in Stack Four. Each title is compared with the book on the shelf and with the shelf list, and is then re-catalogued and printed. All books in this stack (which answers to the Lower Hall in the old Library building), which are not fiction are being transferred to the collection of similar books in the other stacks. During the month of January, 1900, nearly 500 titles were put in order.

PUBLICATIONS.

The catalogues and other publications printed by the Library during the year are mentioned in the report of Mr. Swift, the Editor of the Library publications.

A list of Italian fiction, and a supplementary one of German fiction, both prepared by Miss Mary H. Rollins, will be ready for the printer shortly. A new English fiction list, brought down to date, will probably be begun in the summer.

The List of maps and views of Boston and Boston harbor, published in October, was begun by the late Mr. J. F. Carret, and after his death, continued by Mr. John Murdoch.

A supplementary list will be published for which considerable material has been collected.

The Index to the pictures and plans of library buildings to be found in the Boston Public Library, compiled by Mr. Whitney, as a second and enlarged edition, was printed in the Monthly Bulletin for August, 1899, and afterwards reprinted as a separate work. It has been found helpful to many persons who are planning library buildings. In connection with its preparation circulars were sent to libraries in this country and Europe, and a large collection of photographs of library buildings has been secured.

MUNICIPAL LECTURES.

In connection with a course of municipal lectures, undertaken in the spring, the following lists were prepared by members of the Catalogue Department: (1) The Water supply of Boston (by Mr. Whitney); (2) Civic architecture, Baths and Gymnasias (by Miss Rollins); (3) Passenger transportation in Boston (by Mr. Chevalier).

THE BATES HALL CARD CATALOGUE.

The Examining Committee of the Library has made a recommendation in its report that the cards in the Public Catalogue in Bates Hall be trimmed to what is known as the present standard size, and that a single rod be substituted for the wasteful and unwieldy double rod now in use.

This change could be effected at an expense of perhaps \$2,000 and the advantages would be many and great. This Library can never arrange an interchange of cards with other libraries, which might easily be desirable and economical, so long as it clings to the double rod. The trimming of the cards incidental to the adoption of the single rod, would be a great gain to the catalogue both in appearance and ease of use. The initial expense is indeed considerable, but the saving by the proposed plan in the time taken in putting away the cards and the saving in repairs will in a short time more than equal this sum.

THE RECOMMENDATION OF BOOKS FOR PURCHASE.

The research involved in the adequate looking up the titles of books to be recommended for purchase is so great that this work needs to be transferred from the Catalogue Department to a separate department. During the year, 9,435 titles have been searched for in the catalogues. The preliminary work of reading the book notices of periodicals,

and of the search through sale catalogues and other lists is considerable. I wish to express my thanks to those who have been earnest in my support in this matter.

EXPENSE.

The salary account of the Catalogue Department has been \$1,245.66 less than in the preceding year.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF LIBRARY PUBLICATIONS.

I submit a summary of a report from Mr. Swift, Editor of Library Publications.

The following table gives a record of the publications of the year :

	Date of Publication.	Pages.	Edition.	Price.
Annual list.....	Jan. 1, 1900,	138	3,984	\$0.05
Bibliography of anthropology and ethnology	June, 1899,	150	3,271	.50
Branch finding list No. 2.....	May, 1899,	16	5,023	Free.
By-laws, and House rules	Jan. 1900,	13	500	For the service.
Constitutional conventions	Aug. 1899,	3	250	Free.
Library buildings, second edition.	Aug. 1899,	37	5,012	.10
Monastic architecture	Dec. 1899,	4	—	Free.
Rules and regulations	Jan. 1900,	16	10,000	Free.
Monthly bulletins	1st of each month,	396	—	Free.

In all, 773 pages. In addition, on January 31, 1900, over 5,000 titles were on hand ready for the printer.

The following lists appeared in the Monthly Bulletin during the past year. In March, 1899, Water supply of Boston, 2 pp.; Civic architecture, 3 pp.; Passenger transportation in Boston, 5 pp.; in April, Baths and gymnasia, 2 pp.; Labor movement in England and America, 2 pp.; in May, Mural decoration in America 1 p.; in July, Dreyfus list, 3 pp.; in August, Library buildings, 37 pp.; in October, Maps and views of Boston, 17 pp.; in November, English fiction in Bates Hall, 6 pp.; Programme of exhibitions in the Fine Arts Department, 1899-1900, 2 pp.; in December, South Africa, the Transvaal and the Boers, 8 pp.; in January, 1900, Current newspapers list, 4 pp.; Jesse Lukens's Letter, 1775, 7 pp.; in February, 1900, Trade of Massachusetts Bay, part 1, 6 pp.

LIST ON ANTHROPOLOGY.

The most significant happening was the publication of the Selected bibliography of the anthropology and ethnology of Europe, a volume of 160 pages, containing nearly two thousand titles. The material for this catalogue was gathered

by Professor William Z. Ripley, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; its editing was under the charge of Mr. Swift, who has prepared a special report on the undertaking.

The chief advantage gained by the Library, from the special lists it has published from time to time, has been from their serving as an account of stock of its own possessions, and an indication of its deficiencies. These deficiencies the Library has made a point of supplying. That the Library is so strong as it is as an all-round collection of books is due especially to the zeal for collecting attendant upon the publication of its catalogues. This is true in regard to the Anthropology list. During its progress the Library made considerable purchases in the departments of anthropology and ethnology at the suggestion of Professor Ripley, and received large additions of similar material by gift from his correspondents in Europe. In consequence, as stated in the author's Preface "A notable wealth of original material in this branch of science, concerning itself with the origins, the physical and cultural history of the white races of the earth, is here gathered for the use of American students. It is, I believe, a collection scarcely to be equalled in any single library in Europe."

There were printed 3,271 copies of the Anthropology list, all but about 500 copies of which have been disposed of by sale, gift and exchange. The Library is frequently in receipt of gifts made in return.

The reception of the Bibliography has been cordial, and from the point of view of the Library such a combination of special knowledge and technical bibliographical skill is gratifying. The Library encountered serious and unexpected obstacles in the production of this Bibliography, involving a labor and cost which, in the opinion of the Editor, were out of all proportion to the returns, and which throw grave doubts upon the wisdom of encouraging similar projects under similar conditions in the future.

CO-OPERATION.

This incident suggests the subject of co-operative work in this Library. How far has it been carried on since coming to the new Library building, and with what success?

Finished Work. — The only co-operative undertakings finished are the Periodical list and the Anthropology list.

The first, the List of periodicals currently received in the principal libraries of Boston and vicinity, was edited, printed

and paid for by this Library, the expense being about \$2,800.

This list has proved itself a valuable help not only to the local libraries, but also to distant ones, which have made it the basis of similar co-operative work. It is worth all it cost.

Unfinished Work — Scientific Books. — Considerable work has been done on a proposed catalogue of scientific books to be found in libraries near by, in comparison with our own collections. About one-fifth has been accomplished of what would be needed to make a co-operative catalogue of the scientific books in important libraries in and near Boston. An unknown additional expense will be necessary to bring the results of this comparison before the public in the form of a card catalogue, or in a printed volume, published as a whole or in sections. This catalogue will be of little use for students until completed, and that will be a long time hence, as but little progress is now being made by reason of the pressure of more important work.

Index of Architectural Plates. — This Library, with others, has undertaken to prepare an index of architectural plates. Our own part has been done partially; but little or nothing has come from the other libraries. As a co-operative enterprise it is a failure.

Co-operative Index of Scientific Periodicals. — This Library, since January, 1898, has furnished its share of titles for an index of scientific periodicals, which, as prepared by five different libraries, is under the charge of the Publishing Section of the American Library Association. This catalogue numbers about ten thousand cards, and forms a special section in Bates Hall.

Numerous co-operative schemes in catalogue work have been started by libraries and associations, but they are of but little value to this Library, for one reason because the cards used differ in size from our own, and they cannot be placed in the same drawers with them. This difficulty will be overcome, it is thought, as the result of experiments now in progress. It is a question how far a catalogue so vast as the public card catalogue here can be enlarged by the insertion of titles of articles in periodicals, without causing confusion and irritation to readers.

SHelf DEPARTMENT.

The Shelf Department, since April 3, 1899, has been under the charge of Mr. William G. T. Roffe, as Acting Chief. His report is summarized below.

The number of new books placed on the shelves of the Central Library is as follows:

	Volumes.
General collection	13,366
Special libraries	3,457
Deposit collection	2,425
Continuations of serials	4,639
Total	23,887

Transfers. — During the year 1,868 volumes, not fiction, were transferred from Stack 4 to the General Collection, 671 from the General Collection to the Statistical Department, and 325 to the Newspaper Room. Many other removals have been made.

Books Missing. — From the annual examination of the shelves it appears that the books missing from the stacks are fewer than in 1898 and much less than in 1895, the first year of the occupancy of the new building.

Missing from the Central Library, including deposit collection:

	1899.	1898.
Stacks 1-3, 5, 6, and Special Libraries	222	205
Stack 4 (Fiction)	168	353
Children's Room	321	235
Books on deposit from the Branch Division	99	31
Total	810	824

As compared with previous years the record stands:
Missing for

1895	2,446
1896	1,440
1897	837
1898	824
1899	810

Large numbers of books recorded in the Annual Reports as missing, appear on the shelves from time to time; thus in 1899, 372 were found; in 1898, 333. For years, stragglers find their way back, as, for example, a copy of the "Memoirs of a Physician," by Dumas, lost more than twenty years ago and found in a garret, was returned last summer.

The percentage of missing books from the whole collection is $\frac{14}{100}$ of one per cent. The loss from the stacks and closed shelves is slight, less than might reasonably be expected. The increase in the number of books missing from

those on deposit at the stations is owing to an unusual loss at one station which has now been checked. Thirty-seven of the total number of volumes missing at the deposit stations have been paid for. The loss from the Children's Room is excessive. More than half of the missing books, however, will doubtless be returned; their money value is slight. Eighty volumes were taken from the Bates Hall Reference collection, — mostly handbooks and other books of small cost. From the open shelves of the Special Libraries but few books were taken without permission. The losses are not so serious as to make it worth while to abandon open shelves, or incur a heavy expense for stricter protection against depredations. At the branch libraries the books missing from closed shelves number 49 volumes as against 38 last year; from open shelves 357 volumes as against 488 last year. This seems satisfactory when it is considered that the open shelf system has been greatly extended the past year.

Duplicates. — To this department is also assigned the care of the collection of books in the duplicate rooms. These number 22,029 bound volumes and about 32,745 unbound pamphlets. Work is in progress on these duplicates, with a view to their classification, with lists.

The Shelf Department is burdened with more vexatious problems perhaps than any other branch of the Library service. With the additions of each year its task becomes more difficult. The examination of the shelves, which was once done in a month's time (the Library being closed for that purpose), has increased until it takes the time of three persons nearly the entire year.

Lack of Shelf Space for Books. — The most laborious work of the Shelf Department results from the constant shifting of books, in order to make room for new books or new departments. This shifting and compression is reaching its limit, and radical measures will need to be taken soon to provide more shelf space.

After careful measurements and calculations, some 300,000 volumes have been moved during the year. Hardly one of these volumes occupies the same place on the shelves which it did a year ago, and this has caused inconvenience in the delivery of books. There is some book space unoccupied on the Boylston street side of the Library, and more could be secured by putting a gallery on two sides of the lecture-room, with locked glazed cases on the walls of the first floor.

Attention is called to the tables of statistics as found in Appendixes II.-IV.

THE BINDING OF BOOKS.

A considerable expenditure of money is needed for the rebinding of books. This need is not a newly discovered one. As far back as 1878 the Trustees, alarmed at the rapid decay of bindings, employed Prof. Wolcott Gibbs of Harvard College to make an examination. He reported that the state of the bindings was due to atmospheric conditions inseparable from insufficient ventilation. The Library was then in the Boylston-street building, where, owing to architectural limitations, a remedy could not be found.

The evil continued in an increasing ratio until, in 1891, the city government was asked for an extra appropriation of \$6,000, but this sum was not given, and no sufficient relief came at that time or has come since.

The same state of things confronts the Library to-day. On the shelves, in ever lengthening rows, may still be seen thousands of volumes with loosened leaves, broken backs, and cracked covers.

Since the occupation of the new building the disintegration of bindings from heat, dryness, or insufficient ventilation, has been lessened, but increased age and increased use seem to be equally fatal.

In the estimates of the appropriation needed for the maintenance of the Library for the year 1899, handed by the Trustees to the Mayor on December 17, 1898, the statement was made that "the binding of books is so greatly in arrears that in addition to the current work a special expenditure of at least \$30,000 ought properly to be made." The regular estimates themselves assumed that of this amount at least \$10,000 should be applied in 1899.

The appropriation granted to the Library for that year was much less than the amount called for by the estimates, and among other reductions, one of \$10,692.26 was therefore made in the amount to be spent for binding, as has already been stated.

Impressed with the need of some action, the Trustees last October requested the Acting Librarian to make a special report on the needs of the Library in respect to binding, and have again called the attention of the city government to the subject.

The sum remaining at the disposal of the Library has been used during the past year, as heretofore, mainly for the binding of books and periodicals currently received, for the rebinding of popular books worn out in the current use of the year, and for other miscellaneous work.

The work of the Library bindery may be tabulated as follows :

	Vols.
Books bound	*10,173
Pamphlets bound	2,884
Newspapers bound	148
Books repaired, etc.	5,543
Total	18,748
Library publications, etc., folded, stitched, trimmed, etc.,	78,518
Maps mounted on cloth	1,109
Photographs and engravings mounted	3,359
Miscellaneous work (temporary covers, cards mounted, portfolios, boxes, blocks, etc.)	2,202
Time on other miscellaneous work (cutting and bundling cards, slips, etc.)	76 days

The number of persons employed in the bindery has not been increased during the year.

PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

The catalogue work of the Printing Department has been already mentioned.

The miscellaneous work is as follows :

Stationery, in blank forms, etc., currently consumed	
stocks of all kinds (pieces)	744,671
Call slips (pieces)	2,492,578
Signs	1,278
Blank books	13

The mechanical equipment of the department has been improved by the conversion of the two linotypes to "two-letter" machines, thus ensuring more varied and expeditious composition. The price of paper has advanced during the year. The Library was fortunate in having on hand a considerable supply, bought just before the advance.

On consultation with the Catalogue Department, a desirable change has been made in the form of the catalogue card. The card remains of the same size as heretofore, and will work smoothly with the old cards; but the length of the lines of print is less, and the card may therefore be cut down when desirable to the size used in other libraries. The area

* Exclusive of the rebinding of popular books which is more conveniently done outside the Library. The expense for this work for 1899-1900 was \$2,583.28. The ordinary repairs are attended to largely by the assistants in the stacks and at the branches and stations.

of print is so arranged as to permit the punching of a central hole for the customary single retaining rod without mutilation. The new type chosen gives the emphasis of a blacker face and a more readable form to the catch-word and the shelf-number, and allows more matter than formerly to be put on each card. When the very desirable change to the single rod system of securing the cards in the cabinets shall have been brought about the extra space on the cards available will allow an increase of 48 per cent. of matter on the card. An improvement has been effected in substituting print for manuscript in many of the headings of the cards.

The output of the department does not vary in general character from that of former years. Of printing requisitions there were :

	1899-1900.	1898-1899.
On hand February 1 . . .	6	23
Received during the year .	357	301
	<hr/> 363	<hr/> 324
On hand January 31 . . .	10	6
	<hr/> 353	<hr/> 318
Filled during the year .	353	318

For the card catalogue there have been printed 20,454 titles, or 153,500 cards, together with extra cards and Bulletin copy cards, which cannot readily be counted. This is an increase of 22,597 over last year, and of 60,500 over two years ago.

DISPOSITION OF PUBLICATIONS.

By the report of the Custodian of Stock it appears that the number of Library publications distributed by the department during the year was 78,291. Of the blank forms in use in the Library, including the charging slips, 2,079,432 pieces were called for.

REGISTRATION.

In Appendix VI. are found the usual statistics prepared by the Chief of the Department of Registration, with a classification of users of the Library by sex, occupation and location ; also with an estimate of the percentage of card-holders in each ward of the city of the total population of such ward. Since these statistics are based on the population as shown by the census of 1895, they are only approximately correct.

These percentages do not vary much from last year, except in the district where a new delivery station, W, has been established.

Every second year a new registration or a new numerical series is begun. The present registration began February 1, 1899, and consequently, the number of card-holders appears smaller than on January 31, 1899, the end of the preceding two-year period.

The tables giving the number of teachers and pupils in the public schools in comparison with the number of cards held by them, show that only one-third of the teachers and about two-fifths of the pupils entitled to cards have applied for them.

The bonds of indemnity against loss or damage to books lent to non-resident students have been received from three additional schools and colleges. The non-resident pupils of forty-six such institutions are now allowed to take books from the Library.

USE OF BOOKS.

In Appendix VII. is found a table giving the number of volumes taken for home use during the past year from each department of the Library, in comparison with the preceding year. A summary is as follows :

Home Use.	1899-1900.	1898-1899.
Central Library (including Central Library books issued through branches and stations) . . .	430,987	422,849
Branches and stations . . .	820,554	822,993
	<hr/> 1,251,541	<hr/> 1,245,842

In the Boylston-street building both the books used at home and in the Library building were counted. Since the shelves have been thrown open to readers to so great an extent in the Bates Hall, the Special Libraries, and the branches, the count of books used in the Library is only a partial one. The recorded hall use in the Central Library for the past year was 355,017 volumes, as against 340,596 volumes in 1898. No account is kept of the use of magazines and newspapers.

Inter-Library Loans. — By the system of inter-library loans, 309 volumes have been lent to other libraries this year, as against 224 volumes in 1898-99 and 135 in 1897-98.

THE ISSUE DEPARTMENT, CENTRAL LIBRARY.

An important gain to the Library from the recent alterations in the building is in the increased space and facility provided for the issue of books. To the Issue Room the

Registration desk has been moved from a distant part of the building, and the system of pneumatic tubes has been improved and supplemented by an auxiliary system of tubes, operating by suction, instead of by pressure. The operation of these two systems has not been entirely satisfactory; they often cause delays in the delivery of the slips, and need frequent repairs. The "pick-up carrier," which transports the slips between different points in the Delivery Room, has proved serviceable, as well as an object of interest to all students of Library appliances. The electric book-lift and the new service elevator have been of great value.

The use of the Central Library has been:

	1899-1900.	1898-1899.
Home use	430,987	422,849
Recorded hall use	355,017	340,596
	<hr/> 786,004	<hr/> 763,445

Daily average circulation of the Central Library, including the Branch Division issue at the Central Library:

1899-1900	2,163 volumes.
1898-1899	2,115 "

Average Sunday circulation:

1899-1900	1,424 volumes.
1898-1899	1,337 "

A method has been devised for estimating the percentage of fiction issued at the Library. This is done by means of cards of different colors. By this arrangement it is possible to classify to a certain extent the daily issue at the Central Library.

BATES HALL.

On the first day of the Library year Mr. Oscar A. Bierstadt assumed the office of Custodian of Bates Hall, a position left vacant by the death of Mr. Arthur M. Knapp. For the service here Mr. Bierstadt brought qualifications gained from twenty-five years' experience at the Astor Library.

The removal of the works on the Fine Arts from the Reference shelves to their proper place in the Art Department has made space for an enlargement of the Reference collection in other much-needed directions. The books are being subjected to a careful revision to the end that the latest and best authorities may be presented. The new shelf numbers for these books, transferred from the general collection, have been placed on the catalogue cards.

Collections of books on special or current topics have been placed on the shelves of the screens in Bates Hall, open to readers without formality. Among the subjects thus presented have been Literature, Travels, Biography, History (the works in these four divisions being occasionally changed), Out-of-door books, Washington, Lincoln, the Boston Massacre, Concord and Lexington, the Battle of Bunker Hill, Christmas, the War with Spain, Dreyfus, Ruskin, the Transvaal, and also books on subjects discussed in the course of Municipal Lectures given last year.

This is an application of the system of free access to the shelves so far as it is at present practicable in this Library. The Custodian states that these exhibitions have met with the growing approval of readers. At one time during the exhibition of books on the Transvaal no less than fifty volumes were taken for home reading.

If space could be provided to enlarge these collections it would without doubt tend to raise the standard of taste in reading.

The seats at the tables in Bates Hall have been numbered, thus securing to the reader who has placed the number of his seat on his call slip a more sure, speedy, and quiet delivery of books than had been possible hitherto.

SPECIAL LIBRARIES.

From the appended report of the Custodian of the Special Libraries it will be seen that the use and influence of the collections forming this department of the Library are increasing from year to year.

A notable event is the removal of the restrictions upon the Bowditch collection of mathematical and astronomical books, so that they can be used under certain conditions outside of the building. This result, welcome to many students, has been effected on consent obtained by the Trustees from the adult representatives of the givers of the collection and of the Bowditch fund, as well as from the President and Fellows of Harvard College.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCUMENTS AND STATISTICS.

Attention is called to the report of the Chief of the Department of Documents and Statistics, which is appended to this report. The statement of last year was a preliminary one, based on the experience of a few months. The test of the past year has shown the wisdom of the establishment of this department, and the certainty of its wide usefulness.

Especial attention is called to the arrangements made for procuring the more important state papers of Great Britain, France and Germany, as they are issued.

THE CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

The main features of the work in the Children's Department remain the same as for two years past. There has been a slight increase in the home use of books, while the reference work with both teachers and children has materially increased.

Children's Reference Room.— One new feature of the work calls for special attention. This is the addition of a second room, called the Children's Reference Room, which provides space for the teachers and children to do their school work at the Library. The provision for this room has been liberal,—reference books, maps and pictures, with furniture of the size most comfortable to children.

It has been interesting to notice the gradual growth of the use of this room. The public were slow to understand its purpose, and seemed at first to think that it must be for some special purpose, which did not include them. To introduce the room widely to the schools, and to assure the children that the space was set apart expressly for them, printed circulars were sent out in June, inviting both teachers and scholars to visit the room and see an exhibit of books, maps and pictures relating to the battle of Bunker Hill.

With the opening of the school year in the autumn the real work of the room began, and the results have been gratifying. Children come to take notes both for their daily lessons and for their compositions, and, having found their way, come repeatedly.

The efforts of Mr. James Mahoney to have sets of books reserved for his pupils in the English High School and to have them do their work here, are to be commended.

The experience of the past few months shows plainly the usefulness of such a reference room, and the need of making available for busy teachers the most serviceable aids in the different branches which they teach. Liberal as is the provision it has made evident how much more is desirable.

Exhibits of Pictures.— There have been numerous exhibits of pictures illustrating the studies of the children, especially the study of geography, to make real the characteristics, both natural and artificial, of the countries about which they study. The collection of illustrations which accompany Chapman's "Manual of Bird Life for Teachers" was exhibited in July and August.

The home use of the collection for the year was 66,268 volumes, as against 64,665 for the year previous.

Vacation Playgrounds. — Last summer, for the first time, books were sent from the Children's Department to the Vacation Playgrounds. Many of the books sent proving too advanced for the children, a special purchase was made of books for backward children.

This brief statement, covering a part of the report of Mrs. Sheffield, the officer in charge, shows that the work going on in the Children's Department promises good results.

PATENTS.

By the new allotment, the Patent Department was moved at the beginning of the Library year to the larger and more convenient rooms prepared for it in the western end of the building. There were 3,330 visitors as against 3,296 in 1898. The number of volumes consulted was 47,460 as against 33,954 in 1898. This is thought to be the largest use which the Patent Collection ever had. It is hoped that arrangements may be made which will increase its use still further.

The Library has received about 30,000 of the specifications and drawings of American patents, to fill the gap between 1790 and 1869, for which it has had only the claims and small drawings. The later volumes of the specifications and drawings of American patents are much delayed in reaching the Library. It may be necessary for the Library to incur the heavy expense of subscribing for the separate patents and have them come unbound, as fast as they are issued.

The German numerical catalogue is in progress, and is helpful in looking up German patents.

The following letter has been received, signed by twelve manufacturing companies of this city :

Boston, Sept. 21, 1899.

HONORABLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY :

GENTLEMEN, — The undersigned parties are engaged in occupations occasioning frequent searches of the patents granted by the United States.

In the rapid and efficient prosecution of such work the patents should be arranged according to their subject-matter; the preferred way is that of the Patent Office at Washington. . . .

The patents now in the Library are arranged chronologically, and hence the time required to look up any particular class of invention is so great that it is not attempted here, but such labor

is performed at Washington at great expense and only in urgent cases.

The industries dependent on this information are of the greatest commercial importance, and everything tending to render such information easy of access will further the development of the same.

In view of the above showing of facts, we petition your Honorable Board to set apart a suitable place, and there arrange copies of all the patents of the United States for public inspection, in the same manner as may be in vogue in the Patent Office at Washington.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) J. E. AND WM. MAYNADIER, WALWORTH MANUFACTURING Co., SMITH & ANTHONY Co., BOSTON BELTING Co., MERRIMAC CHEMICAL Co., CHAUNCEY THOMAS & Co. (Inc.), BOSTON RUBBER SHOE Co., FISH, RICHARDSON & STORROW, STONE & WEBSTER, CROSBY STEAM GAUGE & VALVE Co., THE REECE BUTTON HOLE MACHINE Co., ROBERT H. STEVENSON.

In reply it may be said that an attempt has been made to carry out the suggestions of the above petitioners. The Commissioner of Patents and different Congressmen, who have interested themselves in the matter, have stated that it would probably be impossible to obtain the drawings and specifications asked for without paying for them, as an exception could not be made in favor of this Library.

The cost would be not less than five thousand dollars. The Library is ready to carry out this most desirable scheme as soon as the necessary funds are provided. This would have to be done through the generosity of friends of the Library.

PERIODICALS.

At the beginning of the year the periodicals were moved from the room now assigned to the Newspaper Department. They occupy the two adjacent rooms, which have less seating capacity. As a consequence, the use of unbound periodicals is less than in 1898-99. The Newspaper Room being more accessible than the old room attracts many readers who formerly came to the Periodical Room.

The use of bound volumes of periodicals has increased. Lists of magazine articles on current events are prepared, and these are much used, especially by those who are to participate in debates.

NEWSPAPERS.

The new Reading Room for newspapers was opened February 1, 1899, the first day of the Library year. Being on

the first floor, near the entrance of the building, it is much more convenient to readers than the old room, and its use is perhaps one-half greater. Large as is the space it commands it is insufficient for the accommodations required at the present time. At certain times, especially on Sunday, the room is much crowded. There is a card catalogue of the newspapers currently received, arranged alphabetically and by countries, and an index to the Boston "Transcript" for 1900 is in progress. During any important event, such as the Spanish-American war, the South African war, and the Dreyfus trial, prominent newspapers are saved and bound in addition to those ordinarily preserved.

The number of newspapers, including duplicates, in the Newspaper Room is 355. A list was printed in the Monthly Bulletin for January, 1900.

They are classified as follows :

American	181
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Papers published in this country in a foreign language :

French	2
German	9
Greek	1
Italian	3
Spanish	1
Swedish	5
	<hr/> 21

Foreign :

English	40
French	14
German	10
Spanish	6
Italian	4
Greek	3
Danish	3
Russian	3
Swedish	3
Hebrew	2
Norwegian	2
Portuguese	2
Polish	2
Armenian	1
Bohemian	1
Dutch	1
Finnish	1
	<hr/> 98

Papers published in foreign countries in English .	12
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MANUSCRIPTS.

A Department of Manuscripts has been established and placed under the charge of the Chief of the Department of Documents and Statistics.

In the Mather, Cotton and Hinckley papers of the Prince collection this Library has a foundation for a creditable department of manuscripts. To these treasures have been added from time to time, by gift or purchase, many interesting documents. Especially has this been the case during the past year. The family of William Lloyd Garrison has added to its already large gift, and has been active in obtaining from outside sources material which relates to the anti-slavery agitation in the United States. The Library now holds not only the entire correspondence of William Lloyd Garrison — a very large collection in itself — but also has received similar collections from Miss Helen Weston, who gives the papers of her aunt, Maria W. Chapman; from Mr. Edward A. Phelps, who contributes his father's papers; and from Miss Estlin, who sends many letters written by and to her father, John Bishop Estlin. The Phelps manuscripts have been listed on cards, and will soon be available for public use; and the Garrison collection is undergoing arrangement and listing to the same end. Many single manuscripts have been purchased during the year.

Attention may here be called to the publication in the Monthly Bulletin of the more important inedited manuscripts owned by the Library. The Chief of the Manuscript Department, in connection with the Editor of the Bulletin, recommends for publication such matter as is to be so used, and this feature has already attracted attention and given to the Bulletin an additional element of permanent value. The policy will be continued so long as interest is shown, for there can never be a want of good material. A great advantage is derived from the printing of manuscripts, because it saves the handling of a manuscript itself, and thus ensures its preservation from loss, injury or destruction. The knowledge also that the Library possesses and makes public such treasures will attract further gifts.

MAPS.

Under the charge of Mr. John Murdoch more progress than heretofore has been made in arranging and cataloguing the maps.

The bulk of the collection of maps is kept in large cabinets, with open, sliding shelves, the loose maps being enclosed

in large portfolios. The cabinets and shelves are numbered, and, as each individual map is catalogued, it is fairly easy to consult any particular map. Small folded maps in covers, atlases, etc., under folio size, are kept upon ordinary shelves, like books.

For reference use in the Bates Hall reading-room a selection of large atlases is kept in two special cases with horizontal shelves and reading desk tops. For the exhibition of large sheet maps there are two Jenkins revolving map racks, which have been found to be satisfactory.

Wall maps are not to be kept rolled, but are to be cut up or folded to fit the portfolios.

FICTION COMMITTEE.

In this third year of its service the Fiction Committee has rendered valuable aid to the Library. The books read by the Committee number 467. From those receiving their approval there were bought and placed in the Central Library and branches 2,169 copies, as against 1,683 in 1898-99 and 2,529 in 1897-98. The total expenditure for current fiction for the Central Library, branches and deposit stations has been \$1,861.68 as against \$1,492.98 in 1898-99, and \$2,235.73 in 1897-98.

The Chairman of the committee, Miss Mary Morison, being in Europe, Mrs. William L. Parker was appointed acting chairman.

The functions of this committee are stated in the annual report for 1898-99. In a word, it does not select books, but gives such information in regard to them as will help the Library authorities to make a wise selection.

For the Trustees to seek outside help in the choice of books is no new thing. The custom has existed in an inorganized way, almost from the foundation of the Library. Cards with blank forms have been furnished to readers, asking them to recommend books for purchase and to give minute descriptions of such as are wanted. Many volumes have been added to the Library on such recommendations, and perhaps never so many as at the present time.

While the Library gains much from the labors of the volunteer committee of readers of fiction, it is understood that their opinion receives revision at the hands of those who are in charge of the Library, and who are in close touch with readers here and acquainted with existing conditions.

THE BRANCHES AND STATIONS.

The work of the Branch Department covers a wide field. It is outlined in a special report, found as an Appendix to this report. Few realize the number and importance of these sub-libraries, and that of books taken from the Library for home use the Central Library furnishes only one-third, while nearly two-thirds come from these many outlying agencies.

A revised map, showing the distribution of the branches and stations, is prefixed to this report.

LECTURE HALL.

On May 17, 1899, the Lecture Hall of the Library was opened. Advantage was taken of the gift to the Library, from the Westminster Committee on the Scott memorial, of a marble copy of the bust of Sir Walter Scott, by Chantrey, a first copy of which was placed by the committee in Westminster Abbey; and a formal unveiling preceded the addresses on the opening of the hall.

Mr. Solomon Lincoln, President of the Board of Trustees, presided. During the preliminary address, by Dr. James DeNormandie, the bust was unveiled by Mr. Fiske Warren, who with Mr. James Murray Kay, took charge of the American subscriptions to the Westminster Memorial.

An address on Scott was delivered by President Eliot of Harvard College. Other addresses on the influence of Scott, as well as on the opening of the Lecture Hall, and its significance as a supplement to the work of the Library were made by Mayor Quincy, Mr. A. Lawrence Lowell, Mr. Edward Robinson, and Hon. Charles Francis Adams.

The hall has been used for sessions of the Massachusetts Library Club, and for numerous lectures. A course of lectures under the auspices of the Library is planned to begin in March, 1900.

The strain upon the Library following the resignation of the Librarian and the death of the Librarian's Secretary was very severe. I wish to thank the Board of Trustees for their kind consideration, and my associates for their hearty and generous co-operation.

JAMES L. WHITNEY,
Librarian.

FEBRUARY 1, 1900.

SUPPLEMENTS TO THE REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

(A.)

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL LIBRARIES DEPARTMENT.

To the Librarian :

The average circulation of books for home use has increased this year $14\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

PHOTOGRAPHS.

The photograph collection consists of the following :

Painting	5,381	
Architecture	4,044	
Sculpture	2,112	
Unclassified	275	
		11,812

Process pictures :

Painting	2,289	
Architecture	1,699	
Sculpture	618	
Unclassified	255	
		4,861

To this must be added a collection of large plates of architectural subjects, mostly half-tones, published in book form, which are not bound, but are mounted in the same manner as photographs, and used in place of photographs . . . 1,904

Four hundred seventy-four photographs were purchased at an expenditure of \$354.12. One thousand four hundred and seventeen photographs were received by gift ; among these may be mentioned : Six hundred and fifty-seven photographs of pictures in the National Portrait Gallery, costing \$124.33, contributed by Messrs. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., and Little, Brown & Co.; 600 photographs of French architecture included in the purchase of books and photographs from the Montaiglon sale, for which \$1,000 was

given by Mr. Godfrey M. Hyams; 46 carbon photographs of Greek and Roman sculpture and architecture, purchased at a cost of \$200, contributed by Mr. Augustus Hemenway.

EXHIBITIONS.

The regular exhibitions of photographs and other plates have been continued; besides the exhibitions in the Central Library all the branches and seven stations are now supplied with pictures.

The facilities for the display of pictures have been enlarged, and other improvements were made in several of the branches and stations. A programme of the exhibitions for the season was printed in the Monthly Bulletin; a separate reprint of the programme was also sent to every teacher in the city through the office of the Superintendent of Schools.

In addition to the regular exhibitions, the following special exhibitions were held: During February and March, in connection with lectures by J. F. Hopkins to teachers in the public schools, there were exhibitions of photographs and colored plates of Egyptian sculpture and decoration, Greek sculpture, architecture, and ornament, the architecture and sculpture of ancient Rome, Byzantine and Saracenic architecture, Romanesque and Gothic architecture, Renaissance sculpture.

Other special exhibitions were: Photographs of the Acropolis at Athens, to illustrate a lecture by Prof. H. Langford Warren, under the auspices of the Unity Art Club; collection of valentines, loaned by Mr. Frank House Baer of Cleveland; collection of photographs and books on the Industrial arts of Japan, in connection with a lecture on that subject given by Prof. E. S. Morse, under the auspices of the Unity Art Club; illustrations of English cathedrals; plates, illustrating various industrial arts: wood-carving, pottery, lace, bookbinding, etc., in connection with the Arts and Crafts exhibition; photographs of the English school of painting; photographs of mural decorations in America; photographs of the work of Velasquez, on the anniversary of his birthday, June 5, 1599; photographs of the Civil war; plates of industrial arts from the Spitzer collection, purchased at the Montaignon sale; photographs of paintings in the National Portrait Gallery; photographs of paintings by Van Dyck on the anniversary of his birthday; collection of plates and books in connection with the state exhibition of public school drawings; photographs of American Indians and views of the West; pictures, selected from various periodi-

cals of Admiral Dewey, the Battle of Manila, the home-ward voyage of the "Olympia," etc.; photographs illustrating monastic architecture, in connection with the lectures by Prof. Richard A. Rice, of Williams College, in the Lowell Institute course.

CLASSES.

Classes made use of the Fine Arts Department as follows:

Schools . . .	11 visits	182 members.
Clubs . . .	40 "	647 "
Private classes . .	38 "	561 "

CIRCULATION OF PICTURES.

Process pictures, 200 portfolios, averaging 25 pictures in each, were circulated: to public schools, 103; private schools, 18; clubs, 40; private classes, 39.

USE OF SPECIAL LIBRARIES.

The use of these libraries, especially the Barton-Ticknor libraries and the map collection, has increased considerably.

Exhibitions of books were arranged in the show-cases of the Fine Arts Department, as follows: On March 2-15 a collection of books relating to the Boston Massacre; April 3, Shakespeare's library (a collection of books from the Barton Library, with additions from the Harvard College Library, in connection with a meeting held in the Barton room by the Cambridge Shakespeare Association and the Boston Shakespeare Club, with a lecture by W. J. Rolfe of Cambridge); April 17, broadsides and books relating to the battles of Lexington and Concord; May 13-June 20, books and portraits of Sir Walter Scott, in connection with the presentation of the Chantrey bust of Scott to the Library; Sept. 15-Oct. 23, books and tracts on the early church history of New England, in connection with the meeting of the Congregational council; Dec. 18-Jan. 29, books relating to early American history, in connection with the meeting of the American Historical Association.

ALLEN A. BROWN LIBRARY OF MUSIC.

The use of this library is steadily increasing, and it is evident that the attendance will materially increase when a complete catalogue of the collection is available. As in former years the music played at the Symphony and other concerts, with the collateral literature, is laid out each week

for free use. All the new accessions of books on music are now placed for a certain period in this library. Over 300 works were purchased for this collection by Mr. Brown; among the more valuable and interesting are the following full scores: *Carmen*, by Bizet; *The Martyrs*, by Donizetti; *Le Juif errant*, by Halévy; *La Fée aux Roses*, by Halévy; *L'Africaine*, by Meyerbeer; *Le Prophète*, by Meyerbeer; *Guntram*, by R. Strauss; *Godolwa*, by Tinel. Also a set of the sacred compositions of Lorenzo Perosi, and 40 symphonies of Haydn in manuscript (copied by Deldvez), which brings the number of Haydn symphonies in the Library up to 87.

CATALOGUES.

The cataloguing in the Fine Arts Department is confined for the present to the photographs and half-tones of paintings; these are classified, lettered and catalogued as far as received. Renaissance sculpture is also catalogued, but sculpture in general is only classified and lettered. Architecture is classified and lettered, but the time to catalogue the plates in this section has been lacking.

Printed lists were issued as follows: Programme of exhibitions at the Central Library, branches and stations, published in the November Bulletin, and separate reprints sent to teachers; List of mural decorations in the United States, published in the Bulletin for May; List of books on monastic architecture, published in connection with the lectures by Professor Rice in the Lowell Institute course; List of books on the industrial arts, printed in the syllabus of lectures to teachers by J. F. Hopkins.

In the Barton Library a subject index was made to "Shakespeariana," 10 volumes; and an index made to 15 volumes of Shakespeare illustrations in the collection.

In the Allen A. Brown Library 9,736 printed cards were added; 4,587 were copied and filed; these, with 7,637 cards already filed, bring the number of cards in the catalogue of this library to 21,960. An index of subjects relating to music and musicians, contained in periodicals, has been copied from Poole's Index; about 1,100 cards are on file. The old index to the volumes of magazine articles in the collection is kept up.

OTTO FLEISCHNER,
Custodian of Special Libraries.

(B.)

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF DOCUMENTS AND STATISTICS.*To the Librarian :*

I have the honor to submit a report on the operations of the Statistical Department during the past year.

Special attention has been given to developing the principal lines of the collections of the department, as proposed in my last report. The success attained has been unequal, but on the whole very gratifying, and it may with truth be asserted that outside of libraries devoted to a special subject, few can make as strong a showing on matters of social interest and performance. The long series of government publications on statistical matters have received special attention, and the more important sets have been completed, bound and placed on the shelves. It is still possible, and desirable, to extend the number of these issues, and much remains to be done before the most important subjects treated have been covered in a satisfactory manner. The bulk of official publications is without limit; but I question whether it is not better to confine the first attempts to the securing of a good working collection of the principal and more representative series, and to leave for a future day, and as opportunity offers, the purchase of what is affected with a more local or limited value, however interesting. Any record of human activity possesses value, but the range of value is great. To serve the public to the full is the highest ambition of the department, and the method must be adapted to the means afforded, in themselves limited. I have sought to restrict the Statistical library to such studies as may be regarded typical, and therefore to be studied for the method; and to such as have been recognized as valuable in themselves, as embodying some record of experience made after the definite and acceptable rules of statistical science.

If this limitation is justifiable, it can be justified only by its results. Timeliness is an element of some weight, and naturally exerts much influence upon the current reading of the general public. The questions of to-day are before the public eye, and the mere progress of events possesses an interest apart from an explanation of the cause or a forecast of the future. It is not to be denied that most of the really good work on current problems is printed in periodicals or in the form of special monographs on a single subject. To

overlook the political and sociological journals would be to neglect the best source of general information and the most intelligent treatment of tendencies and influences. The organs of a social movement express in a better form the intentions of the leaders and the scope of the agitation than could any outside critic, whether friendly or hostile. The journals issued from a socialist, a charitable, or a trade-unionist society speak with greater certainty on the end of the organization than could any other exponent. The nearer one approaches to these social movements the better is the understanding of their extent and influence, of their strength and weakness. With this in mind I have extended the number of such organs taken in this department, and plan to extend still further the list in the coming year. In a pure democracy the beliefs and wishes of the people can never be without interest and suggestiveness.

While thus feeding the desire for information on current events and questions, for information obtained fresh from the first sources, a second element is in the long run of greater importance. Provision must be made for a full understanding of the causes of events and problems, and the material must be at hand for an explanation of the existence of a policy or accomplished fact. The sociological activity of the world is too rapid and too crowded with keen interest and fluctuating elements to endure an immediate record or crystallization in statistics or philosophical explanation. Prediction, always dangerous, is particularly so when applied to economic tendencies. The claims of those who planned the Suez Canal were looked upon as dreams at the time; yet the financial results have fully justified the claims; the current of commerce with the East has been essentially modified, and the political results have been such as to confound equally the hopes and fears of the statesmen of Europe. The returns of vessels passing through the canal each year since it was opened express only one of the influences exerted by the construction of the water-way; the tolls collected are indicative of earning capacity; but no figures can convey the multiple and immense forces brought into commerce and politics by the thread of water connecting the Mediterranean with the Indian Ocean. To measure them, geography and history must be applied, and only with the best endeavor a partial understanding must result. The student could use figures but little in seeking to describe the effect of the construction of the Suez Canal; but certain figures would be necessary, and it is such as are of importance that the Statistical Department should possess. Within limits the official returns of shipping

are valuable, and their value can be greatly enhanced by connecting them with the returns of the movement of merchandise in foreign commerce, with special reference to the use of the canal. It would almost appear as if the trade of the world must be examined before the canal can be properly measured as an economic factor.

Much has been written and published on this subject, and much of what appears in print is next to valueless. The political or interested statistician has wrought much injury by building up confident predictions on faulty premises, and using them until they become asserted facts. Time may be counted upon to test these assertions and send them into oblivion; but while they are in whole or in part accepted they should be subject to some discriminating criticism. In applying this criticism the selection of what is of permanent value becomes important, and it is such a selection that I have attempted to make in bringing together the collections under the charge of this department. In time there will be readily available the material for a history of a movement, the records of its success or failure, and the general theory which may be evolved from its conditions. Only in this way can this department become the "Sociological laboratory" intended by its foundation.

How far these ideas as to the Statistical Department have been carried into practice can be appreciated only by the student who uses its collections. Its isolated situation, and its complete separation from the general collection and from periodical literature on politics and economics, are against a complete fulfilment of its aims. Yet a list of certain accessions made in the last year will be serviceable in showing how the department is building up a collection worthy of the subject. Only examples under each class are given, and the division of class is the very general one outlined in my first report :

I. VITAL STATISTICS.

A full set of the forms and schedules used in taking the twelfth Census of the United States.

Census of Mexico, 1895, 22 parts.

Bulgaria, *Mouvement de la population*, 1885-96.

Switzerland, *Mouvement de la population*, 1885-97.

Registration and Health reports, state and municipal, American and foreign, numbering some three hundred volumes.

II. COMMERCE AND TRANSPORTATION.

Archiv für Eisenbahnwesen, 1878-1899.

Railroad reports from different States of the Union, and from France, Belgium and Canada.

Annual trade returns from Greece, Canada (1850-1898), Mexico, Argentina, China (1879-1898), British India (1887-1898), Austria-Hungary, France and Belgium.

A full set of "Annales du commerce," 1843-1899, a valuable compilation of commercial information. American, English, Austrian and Dutch Consular reports — full sets in each instance.

Reports of Chambers of Commerce and Boards of Trade, American and foreign.

III. LABOR AND PRODUCTION.

Reports of the State Bureaus.

Annual issues by the governments of the United States, France, Italy, Austria-Hungary, Belgium and the United Kingdom.

Agricultural returns of Germany, Austria-Hungary, Russia, Australia and Argentina.

Mineral production of Germany, France and Belgium.

In this connection I would mention the gift by Madame Godin of a full set of the writings of her husband, J. B. André Godin, the founder of the Phalanstery at Guise; together with a file of the Phalanstery journal "Le Devoir" since 1892, and other issues from that press.

IV. FINANCES.

Schanz, Finanz-Archiv, 1884-1899.

Bulletin Russe, 1895-1899.

Egypt: Commission de la dette publique, 1890-98.

Assessors' reports from New York, Maine, New Jersey, Wisconsin and Oregon.

Taxation reports from many States, and reports of the financial officers of states and municipalities.

Banking and Loan association returns, American and foreign.

Prices and wages in British India, 1890-99.

Revue des banques, 1892-99.

V. SOCIOLOGY AND GENERAL STATISTICS.

Annales de l'Institut international de sociologie, 5 volumes.

Bulletin, Institut international de statistique, vol. 1-10.

Journal of the Statistical and social inquiry society of Ireland, parts 8-69.

Statistik des Deutschen Reichs, 1-8.

Zeitschrift des K. sächsischen statistischen Bureaus,
6-47.

Württembergische Jahrbücher, 7 volumes.

Statistische Monatschrift, 1889-1899.

Annuaire statistique de la Belgique, 1888-1899.

Giornale degli economisti, 1889-1899.

Zeitschrift für Volkswirtschaft, Social-Politik und
Verwaltung, 1-8.

Finding the collection of the journals and debates of the State constitutional conventions incomplete, I have obtained the wanting volumes by exchange and purchase, adding sixty volumes to what was already in the Library; about as many more volumes must be obtained before the series will be complete.

To give in detail the growth of the Statistical Department would be to describe the economic conditions of the world. The wave of prosperity and extraordinary activity now apparently at its height has made itself felt in every branch of commerce and industry, and the mere recording of this activity has produced a mass of statistical issues that requires selection and general sifting. It has been at times difficult to make this selection in a manner proper to meet future contingencies. The sugar interests, whether of cane or beet, in the United States have some immediate interest to every consumer of that necessary article; but the conditions attending the growth, transport, manufacture and distribution of the immense quantity needed to meet our home consumption, involves a study of places and policies which seem at first thought to have no connection with the subject. The contest between cane and beet products, the sugar bounty policies of continental Europe, the acts of tariff, whether avowedly prohibitive, as in Europe, or merely protective or compensatory, as in the United States or British India, the situation of sugar colonies or protectorates, like the Hawaiian and Philippine islands, or the British West Indies, are a few of the matters to be determined before a proper understanding of the true relations of the sugar question can be comprehended, and lead the investigator far into the field of economic and political science.

Another example is to be found in the iron and steel industry. Within the memory of the present generation the United States was practically dependent upon foreign supplies of the better grades of iron and steel, and its domestic production was inadequate to meet the home demand. The extraordinary growth which has placed the United States at

the head of the iron and steel producing nations involves a story which is more like a fairy tale than a serious narration — a product of the imagination and not of actual conditions. Yet the factors leading to this growth are so many that a literature would be required to explain them, and in their present most active state they have not yet run their course so far as to permit a full appreciation of their extent and momentum. Geographical and geological considerations have had weight, and the extraordinary invention and application of labor-saving devices must be weighed; the combination of capitals and the concentration of industry, with all its numberless connected industries and feeders, have their value; and hardly one of these questions could be appreciated by itself. As soon as the industry goes abroad for its ore, or exports its finished or partly finished products, the wide domain of the iron markets of the world is opened to the investigator, a subject of sufficient importance to monopolize his attention.

Turning to a question of State policy, that of taxation certainly stands among the first in importance. War taxes are open to a fair attack from those who claim to be burdened beyond their deserts, and the ever-increasing demand for revenue from State and local governments offers an ever present problem of making old taxes more remunerative or discovering new sources of revenue. The experiments made by the national government in stamp taxes, and that of New York in a franchise tax, of novelty only from the new conditions in which it is applied, call for a full understanding on the part of every man who contributes to the income of nation, State or city. It is not enough to be familiar with the terms of the laws under which these taxes are imposed and collected; the theory or intention controlling the selection of the specific form of tax, and the results of experience in other times and places of similar duties, are essential. Without such intelligent study of the past and present there is danger that taxes may be class taxes, bearing unequally on the taxpayers and prove wasteful in taking more from the people than is returned to them in public benefit.

These examples show how extensive a collection must be gathered in this department if it is to cover with reasonable fullness and clarity the subjects coming under its charge. The mere statistics of production, transport and sale are the raw materials to be wrought upon. All statistics are not reliable, and even true returns may be so arranged and combined as to produce distorted and misleading results. The care of selection must be exercised from the start, and the

need for such care is the greater as each of the great industries has its special or trade journals, often established to maintain a special policy or to advocate a single and interested aspect of the questions. Official returns are slow in compilation, and may not be published until long after the events and conditions they describe have been modified beyond recognition or completely changed. On current issues of the trade papers and on occasional reports, like those of the consular service, must the investigator depend, and a general index of such issues as are valuable should be maintained for the guidance of the public.

The statistics themselves require some general explanation as to cause and tendencies shown by them, and I cannot but look upon this branch of the Statistical Department as its most useful and necessary function; and yet the one which calls for the greatest delicacy and judgment. It would be out of the question to undertake to instruct the investigator, or even to express what could be little else than an individual opinion on the matter to be investigated. There is not the same opportunity for absolute opinion as appertains to a question of natural science, or the authenticity of a medal or any other definite object, where only one condition can be correct. To serve as a propaganda for any opinion or view of an economic or political problem would be entirely out of place; and the objects of the department and purposes of the student are best consulted by maintaining an absolutely neutral attitude, and this is best attained by a judicious selection of authorities covering every important phase of a public question.

As an example, may be named the colonial policy pursued by various nations in various parts of the world. There could hardly be a greater diversity of actual treatment than is shown in the conduct pursued towards their colonies and dependencies by the United Kingdom, France and Germany. From absolute control of all acts, to a full and unrestricted enjoyment of self-government; from commercial monopolies to absolute free trade; and from military dependencies to indefinite protectorates of shadowy rights and duties, the range presents every possible phase of relation between a strong and powerful state and a weak and floating contingent. The events of the last few years, in which European powers have vied with one another in their pursuit of unclaimed portions of the earth's surface, and in which the United States has assumed the colonial dependencies of Spain, enforce the necessity for a proper study of the question of colonization and management of dependencies. A number

of works, principally by French and German writers, on those subjects have been obtained, and from the series of English and German colonial reports may be gathered a record of failure and achievement pregnant with important lessons to existing conditions. A full set of the tariff orders and the reports presented to the Departments of War and the Treasury by special commissioners sent to Cuba and Puerto Rico are on file, as well as such material on the Philippines as could be obtained. I would notice the gift to the Library of a set in seventeen volumes of the "Records of the Cape Colony," "Records of South Eastern Africa," and "Précis of the Archives of the Cape of Good Hope," obtained through the courtesy of the Colonial Secretary at Cape Town. In those different studies or records of colonial enterprise may be found a treatment of every phase of colonial policy. It is not any one experiment or instance which can be pointed out to the inquirer as pertinent to his object; he is given access to all, and prepares his own opinion of what is just or expedient.

The experiment of obtaining public documents of general interest, on general instructions to agents, has more than justified its trial. In place of waiting some months and resorting to specific orders a general instruction was prepared for an agent in each country, covering subjects that might be of interest to readers in this country. This assured the prompt sending of important State papers, and as the experiment developed the instructions were modified and made more definite, while leaving still a wide scope to the discretion and initiative of the agent. The promptness and certainty of receiving these papers have been recognized, and, in a number of instances have proved of high utility. Among the notable examples where the documents were received almost by the first mail after issue and went at once into circulation, without waiting for the usual cataloguing and placing on the shelves, may be mentioned:

1. Spanish diplomatic documents (Red Books) containing the papers on the war and the negotiation to the peace.
2. Important English reports, such as, that on the Indian famine, the South African Republic, the Indian currency question, Local taxation, China negotiations, Land legislation in Ceylon.
3. A series of the White Books of Germany, nineteen in number, the acts of the Reichstag, proceedings of labor congresses, and the issues of the various states of Germany on Commerce and Industry. The pamphlets on Samoa have proved to be of special and timely interest.

A policy of great liberality has been pursued in this matter. Not only were the more important Blue Books kept in Bates Hall, but on three occasions they were loaned to assist in the conduct of university debates on the questions involved. The only condition imposed was a safe and prompt return, and in no instance was the document away from the library more than twenty-four hours.

Having many duplicates I have opened exchange accounts with different libraries and institutions, and have sent out lists of duplicates from which selections have been made. Corresponding lists have been received from these libraries, and in this way some two thousand books and pamphlets have been placed where they were wanted, and due returns obtained. In time the system may be developed and a regular course of exchanges instituted; but a part of the labor may be performed by other divisions of the Library to secure a prompt examination of lists and a careful determination of needs. The number of pieces sent out on exchange account from this department in the last year was 2,510.

The growth of the Statistical Department in volumes is seen by comparing the figures given for the two years, 1898-1899 and 1899-1900. In the former year the number of volumes on political economy was 7,217; in 1899-1900 it was 7,580. The number of volumes in the Statistical Department was 343 in 1898-1899 and 3,382 in 1899-1900, of which less than 1,000 was by transfers from the stacks.

The experiment of open shelves has been in the main successful, and the knowledge that special collections can be found accessible has proved an attraction to those who wish to pursue special investigation. As these collections become more complete, and a better acquaintance with their contents is acquired, more space will be needed for students. The collection turned in from the American Statistical Association is being rapidly absorbed and made accessible to the public. What is already on the shelves has proved an attraction to students in school and university, and the consultation of commercial returns is frequent and growing in estimation.

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EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE BRANCH
DEPARTMENT.SERVICE OF THE BRANCHES AND STATIONS FROM THE
CENTRAL LIBRARY.

The Daily Issue. — The delivery of books from the Central Library in response to the daily applications from the branches and stations, which amounted in 1898-99 to 86,541 volumes, is this year 94,808 volumes. The increase of the daily issue is thus substantial, though not so great as I reported a year ago. But owing to the greater number of applications (cards), 149,705 as against 126,980 in 1898-99, and the more insistent demand for current fiction, it has been necessary to employ every possible device to secure this increase. For our resources do not grow in proportion to the applications. From an investigation made for some weeks, not long ago, it was found that 34 per cent. of the unsuccessful cards called for five popular books. With regard to a considerable proportion of the serious books also, applications mass themselves along certain lines, and are greater in number than a year ago, while we have no more copies than then. When Greek history is being studied, twenty-five or fifty teachers and pupils may be sending at one time for Holm's History of Greece, of which we have only one copy for free circulation.

To provide as fully as possible for these difficulties, systematic double or triple scrutiny is given to the slips, and none goes back to the applicant until all possibilities have been exhausted. In addition, we have now our own copies of certain books, which circulate only through the Branch Division. The deposit collection also is drawn upon regularly for the work of the daily issue. Various other devices are made use of.

Though it is not of great importance in itself that we should fail to supply a certain reader with "Richard Carvel," yet the continued disappointment of a reader, by which he may be altogether estranged from the Library, is not wholly a trivial thing; and it seems to me to be necessarily a matter of more regret that we should disappoint an applicant from Station A, seven miles away, than a frequenter of the Central Library; since the former has but one chance a day, while the latter is on the spot, and may try many times, and choose from many other books. Therefore, though economy and good judgment forbid the multiplication of copies beyond a

certain limit, I would nevertheless recommend still greater liberality, especially in the case of the few leading books.

I reported last year the adoption of a postal card, by which a borrower at a branch or station could be notified of the result of his application to the Central Library, thus being saved unnecessary calls. Of these cards about 450 have been sold this year. To complete the system a private mailing card has been adopted, by which a borrower can ask for a Central Library book without visiting the branch or station through which he applies. When the book arrives he calls or sends, and has it charged on his card. With these forms in use the hardships of borrowers at a distance from any Library agency will be a little lessened.

Deposit Work.—Deposits are now regularly supplied by the Central Library to 53 places, last year to 48. There have been sent out 22,501 volumes; a gain of 4,123 volumes, or 22 per cent., over the year 1898–99. Eighty-six special deposits, with a total of 883 volumes, have been sent to the branches and stations for the use of schools and clubs.

The deposit collection consists of 10,416 volumes, as against 7,988 January 31, 1899. It is not as strong as it should be, especially in books for the young.

WORK WITH SCHOOLS (INCLUDING WORK THROUGH THE BRANCHES).

Special effort has been made this year in the direction of work with the public schools. Our methods are still in an experimental stage, but what has been accomplished may be summed up as follows:

1. The deposits directly to schools have been increased in number. We still supply the four schools reported a year ago, and have added seven more. We have also begun to furnish such deposits from the branches, and six of the schools are so supplied. This method serves the double purpose of bringing the scholars and teachers into closer relations with the neighboring branch, and of sparing the Central Library collections of books. It is a part of the system that the regular Library card shall be used in the schools, and a monthly report of circulation made. More schools would be taken on if we had more books, and if the pressure of the school work on the teachers was not already so great.

2. Books have been reserved for the use of schools, at the branches and stations, on 177 separate occasions, to the number of 2,674 volumes. This is the first year of systematic work in this way. The reserves are asked for on a printed

form signed by a teacher, the subject and length of time for which the books are wanted being given. If the branch cannot furnish all the books recourse is had to the Central Library. In the case of most of the stations the books necessarily come from the Central Library. Books are either used at the branch or station, or taken home for very limited periods. It is plain that the system is of value in bringing school children to use the local Library agencies intelligently and seriously.

3. A small set of catalogues of the Central Library (7 volumes, has been placed in those schools which have asked for it. Thirty schools have been supplied in the last three months. These catalogues enable teachers who wish to do so to assist their pupils in the choice of books. In one school at least the work has been systematized, a librarian appointed, and slips sent in bulk to the nearest station, at regular intervals. Development may be possible in this direction.

4. The custodians of the branches have done much systematic personal work in visiting the neighboring schools. They have made written reports. Registrations have been taken in several schools, and particularly in the evening schools. During the summer vacation special attention was given at the branches to interesting the school children.

From numerous letters and personal interviews, and from the testimony of the custodians, I am assured that while many teachers are apathetic, a certain proportion really values the opportunities afforded by the Library, and that if we have done no more, friendly relations have been appreciably strengthened.

The Library has kept in touch with the important work of the Children's Room and Children's Reference Room at the Central Library. A similar equipment to that of the Children's Reference Room is needed at the branches.

A delivery to schools remote from any branch would be a valuable method of service, if it were not for the obstacle of expense in transportation. With a large delivery the amount of time required from the teacher in charge is another obstacle. It was on account of the latter difficulty that the delivery at the Hancock School, North End, was discontinued, after more than two years of successful operation. The circulation had risen to nearly 7,000 volumes yearly. In furnishing deposits to schools the item of transportation is a trifling one; usually the master sends for the books to the nearest branch or station. The amount of work and time involved for the teacher is a very real difficulty, but not so

great as in the case of a delivery. Direct deposits, then, in addition to a specialized use of the branches and stations, seem at present to be our most practicable line of operation.

The enlargement of the scope of the pupils' cards issued to children under twelve years of age, to include all books that may properly be read by children, will probably increase the number of children using the branches and stations, and bring various benefits with very few accompanying evils.

BRANCHES.

Reclassification. — The reclassification of the branches on a common system, which was begun in June, 1898, has proceeded this year with the following results :

At six of the branches the work is finished, at two it is nearly finished, while at the remaining two good progress has been made. The card catalogues are progressing everywhere, though they have not kept pace with the reclassification in all cases, and are not yet complete except at the Brighton, West End and West Roxbury Branches. Unserviceable books have been selected and transferred to the Central Library to the number of 3,057 volumes.

The labor of the reclassification is so severe that it prevents some other undertakings at the branches. But the results are wholly satisfactory. The books are more accessible in every way. Under the new system every shelf contains books on the same subject arranged in alphabetical order, while every shelf list is a brief classed catalogue. This definiteness is a very real aid to the intelligent use of the books.

The reclassification is an advance towards uniformity in the collections of books, and, as was said last year, it will eventually make possible a comprehensive printed finding list which could be used at any branch, and which would be a measure of economy, since instead of ten printed catalogues we should have one.

The union shelf list and card catalogue at the Central Library simplify the work of administration of the collections. The shelf list now represents six branches and considerable portions of others. It is easy to see from it how well the branches are supplied, and its use in the recommendation of books is growing in importance.

Branch Finding List. — Although there is no comprehensive printed list, common to all the branches, an annual union finding list is printed. The second of these lists appeared in April, 1899.

Open Shelves. — Some extension of the system of open

shelves was mentioned in my last report, with especial reference to the Brighton Branch. This year certain alterations in the interior of the Dorchester and Jamaica Plain Branches were undertaken, which have made possible free access to the shelves, and at South End and South Boston several other alcoves have been thrown open. Our experience seems to prove that the quality of the use of books is improved by open shelves, but not the amount of recorded use. Serious books get a handling and reading when they would not have been asked for if not seen, but since books are chosen more intelligently, fewer are taken home at a venture and exchanged in a few days for others. There is also more reading at the branch, and less at home. Owing to the construction of the book rooms and to certain other limitations, all that can be done at Charlestown, East Boston, Roxbury and West End is to admit freely to the shelves for special purposes, upon application, to increase the number of books shelved outside the counter, and to change such books frequently.

Circulation. — Though the total circulation of the Branch System shows a gain of 6,179 volumes over last year, and the stations a gain of 24,643 volumes, the branches themselves have fallen off in circulation 3 per cent. The total is 638,804 volumes, as against 660,171 in 1898-99. West End has gained largely, and West Roxbury a little.

It may be confidently said that this has been a year of hard labor on the part of the custodians, — more so than former years. They feel, therefore, that other things than the home use circulation should be taken into account in estimating what has been accomplished at the branches; such things, for example, as reference work, the work with schools, and the reclassification. Work in these directions has increased, but much of this labor is necessarily unrecorded.

Sunday Opening. — The Sunday opening of the Charlestown, East Boston and South Boston Branches proved so satisfactory last year that they were again opened for the season beginning November 1 last.

Books. — New books bought for the branches number 4,447 volumes as against 4,222 in 1898-99. Of these, 1,894 volumes were current fiction. The replacements were 1,672 volumes as against 1,122 last year.

The following are the statistics of books condemned, as compared with former years:

	1899-1900.	1898-99.	1897-98.
Condemned, worn-out	2,169	1,028	1,679
Condemned as a precaution against contagious disease	48	52	86

Periodicals.—As I reported last year, a revision of the periodical list was made with a view to a uniform list this year. Such a list has now been adopted consisting of 45 titles, with additional copies of certain magazines. Roxbury and West End have also supplementary lists.

A uniform list of the periodicals to be bound for the branches has also been prepared.

Pictures.—There has been an improved schedule of picture exhibitions, arranged by the Assistant Librarian, and the facilities for hanging the pictures sent from the Central Library to the branches have been improved.

Repairs and Improvements.—At Dorchester and Jamaica Plain alterations in the interior have been made to allow free access to the shelves. Fire extinguishers have been supplied to all the branches, and to the three reading rooms, A, F and P. These are inspected regularly by the Fire Department. At Brighton re-arrangements have been possible by which separate rooms for children and adults have been provided. At several other branches reading rooms have been set apart more definitely for adults, and so placarded. Such rooms would be very desirable in all the branches.

Expenditures.—The total expense of the branches is slightly less than that of 1898-99,—\$47,646 as against \$47,788.55.

DELIVERY STATIONS AND OTHER AGENCIES.

Stations—Enlargement and Improvement.—In May last the transfer of the Hancock School delivery to the Industrial School, North Bennet street, was made; in July, the deposit feature was added; and in November the school was made a regular station, with a daily delivery, under the name Station W, Industrial School Delivery Station. The Trustees of the Industrial School have kindly furnished attractive quarters for the station, and service as well, and the work of the Library goes on in co-operation with that of the school. The delivery at the Hancock School was for girls only, but Station W is of course open to boys and adults. The circulation for eight months has been 5,586 volumes, which, added to the Hancock School circulation before May 31, makes 9,199 volumes as against 6,831 volumes for the Hancock School in 1898-99. And there has been no decrease, but a large gain for the West End Branch, in the neighboring ward. The North End, to the needs of which my report of last year called attention, is thus provided for. There are now three stations, S, U and W, where the Library is relieved of a part of the burden of expense through co-operation, and it is to be noted that this method has so far proved satisfactory.

Stations J and M have been removed, the latter under new management, to buildings very near their former location. Portfolios of pictures have been sent for the first time to the reading rooms F and P, and to Station W. New facilities for hanging pictures have been provided at several stations; 111 volumes have been given to Station U, and 218 to Station S.

Deposits have been enlarged at the stations so far as the resources of the deposit collection have allowed. To Station E a deposit has been sent from the Dorchester Branch. An increase in the use of reference books is reported from the reading rooms.

The delivery of books from certain branches to neighboring stations not having proved profitable has been discontinued. In these cases various efforts were used to persuade people to send applications to the branch; but it has been evident for a long time that they prefer to send to the Central Library. On routes where the Library wagons run a small delivery from a branch to a station may be worth while; otherwise, not.

Circulation. — The total circulation of the delivery stations, engine-houses, schools and institutions is 289,315 volumes as against 264,672 in 1898-99, a gain of 9.3 per cent. The gain in the circulation from the Central Library is 10.8 per cent. All but five stations have gained, and all but one station show a gain either on their direct circulation, or on that from the Central Library. Station U, the Ward Nine Delivery Station, near the Cathedral, was established in December, 1898. Its circulation for the year has been 18,045 volumes. It has probably drawn a little from the circulation of the South End Branch and of Station P, but to a considerable extent it has supplied new demands. Station R has gained over 3,000 volumes this year, and now has the largest circulation that any shop station has ever had, 24,834 volumes. Two reading rooms, D and F, with a small circulation, which fell off last year, show an increase this year.

Sunday Opening. — Stations P and S have again been open on Sunday, with good results.

Service. — There have been no important changes in the personnel of the service at the stations. Three shop stations have been transferred to other custodians. Though the character of the service which we get at shop stations is not always of the highest, yet some of these stations have done excellent work this year.

Meetings of custodians of service stations, which were begun last year, are now held monthly at the Central Library,

and have proved useful. For the further acquaintance of the custodians with Library methods, an arrangement has been made by which the custodian of a station serves occasionally for an afternoon in a neighboring branch, her place being taken by an employee of the branch.

Expenditures. — The cost of the stations, including engine-houses and schools, is \$12,594.58 as against \$12,024.13 last year. The expenses have not increased in proportion to the circulation, since there is a gain in circulation of 24,643 volumes this year.

Other Agencies. — One new engine-house has been added this year and two new deliveries, one to the officers of the Long Island Almshouse, the other to those of the House of Reformation.

Deposits of books have been sent to the Vacation Schools, to the Municipal Camp at Long Island, and to Deer Island for the use of the boys from the House of Reformation who were quartered there.

BRANCH DIVISION — CENTRAL LIBRARY.

Distribution of Periodicals. — The periodicals not needed for binding at the Central Library and branches are sorted and sent monthly to the penal, the pauper, the insane and other institutions of the city; 13,057 copies have been sent out during the year.

Shelf-Reading. — There is a yearly shelf-reading at the stations; 37 volumes missing at the shop stations were paid for this year.

The shelf-reading at the Central Library showed but one volume missing from the deposit shelves.

LANGDON L. WARD,
Supervisor of Branches and Stations.

(D.)

DEATHS AND RESIGNATIONS, 1899-1900.

NAME.	Department.	Entered Service.	Discontinued.
Alice Browne.....	Ordering	Feb. 1, 1883....	Resigned Feb. 12, 1899.
Thomas McFarland...	Ordering	Oct. 27, 1891....	Died May 17, 1899.
Frank A. Wall.....	Engineer.....	Jan. 1, 1897....	Died May 18, 1899.
Birdsey Ives	Printing	July 27, 1896...	Resigned May 27, 1899.
Phillip H. Savage.....	Executive	Oct. 1, 1896....	Died June 4, 1899.
Florence M. Painter..	Branch	Aug. 2, 1897....	Resigned Aug. 29, 1899.
Frank C. Porter.....	West End Branch ...	Feb. 1, 1896....	Died July 25, 1899.
Margaret Meffen.....	Dorchester Branch..	March 8, 1892..	Resigned July 27, 1899.
Mary L. Patten	Special Libraries....	Oct. 24, 1896....	Resigned Sept. 5, 1899.
George H. Hosea.....	East Boston Branch.	Jan. 1, 1873....	Resigned Oct. 4, 1899.
Louis W. Roett.....	Issue.....	March 22, 1895.	Resigned Nov. 1, 1899.
Harry F. Mayer.....	Issue.....	April 27, 1897..	Resigned Nov. 5, 1899.
Gertrude E. Forrest..	Issue.....	Nov. 1, 1895....	Resigned Jan. 1, 1900.
Chas. A. Hardy.....	Bates Hall ...	March 16, 1896.	Resigned Jan. 23, 1900.

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE FOR 1899.

To the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston

The Examining Committee submit the following report :

At the first meeting the committee was organized by the choice of Charles Allen as chairman and James C. Davis as secretary. Later, the resignation of Judge Henry N. Sheldon as a member of the committee was received. Sub-committees were appointed as follows :

On Books.

Rev. George A. Gordon, D.D., <i>Chairman.</i>	
James Jeffrey Roche.	John Noble.
Mrs. Darwin E. Ware.	William F. Apthorp.

On Catalogues, Bulletins and Printing.

William L. Putnam, <i>Chairman.</i>	
Miss Ellen F. Mason.	Francis H. Brown, M.D.
Rev. Edward A. Horton.	Charles F. Donnelly.

On Branches and Distribution of Books.

Henry W. Bragg, <i>Chairman.</i>	
Thomas Hills.	Mrs. Henry H. Sprague.
James C. Davis.	Rev. W. D. Roberts.
The Very Rev. William Byrne.	Frank S. Mason.

On Finance.

William H. Ensworth, M.D., <i>Chairman.</i>	
Rev. Arthur T. Connolly.	Alfred Bowditch.
Francis L. Higginson.	Henry R. Reed.

On Administration.

Charles Allen, <i>Chairman, ex officio.</i>	
Alfred Hemenway.	Thomas J. Gargan.
Patrick A. Collins.	Miss Frances H. Turner.
Rev. E. Winchester Donald, D.D.	Horace G. Wadlin.
Charles P. Searle.	Joseph D. Fallon.

The following suggestions are founded on reports by these sub-committees, and upon the discussions and votes at a well-attended meeting of the Examining Committee :

We wish to emphasize the need of better accommodations for the Branch Library in Charlestown. This need is familiar to the Trustees, but there is now a favorable opportunity to buy at a low price a church which is well situated, and well adapted to be fitted up for a library. If this can be done, it would, as we understand, meet the wishes of the residents of Charlestown, and open the way for relieving all existing wants and difficulties there at a moderate cost.

The needs of the East Boston Branch continue unabated, and they are very marked, but at present we are unable to suggest any mode of relief which would be adequate and inexpensive and generally acceptable to the residents of East Boston.

New delivery stations are desirable in Wards 1 and 17. There is also a need, in the West Roxbury Branch, of more room, which can be had at moderate expense.

In respect to the card catalogues, the Committee, while recognizing that the catalogues already are unusually good, recommends the substitution of a single rod, locked at the front of the drawer, for the present double rods locked at the back; the trimming down of the cards to a uniform size; the subdivision of subjects in the Bates Hall catalogue, by placing in all the drawers legibly printed guide-cards of a different color from the other cards, serving the purpose of an index; a revision of the titles contained in the printed Index, supplements and Barton catalogue, with a view to making the Bates Hall catalogue a complete presentation of the whole contents of the Library, catalogued in uniform style; the pushing of the work of transferring titles other than fiction from stack four, the old Lower Hall collection, to the Bates Hall stack, and the removal as far as possible of all manuscript cards from the catalogue.

The staff of assistants in this department has been hardly sufficient to keep up the current work.

At present, the money received from fines and for books lost is paid over to the city. It seems to the Committee that it would be better if the Library should receive these sums directly, thus enabling it to cover the cost of collecting fines, which is considerable, and of immediately replacing the volumes lost. The appropriation for the purchase of new books is inadequate, and in order to keep the Library up to the desired standard the appropriation should be increased by at least \$10,000. The accounts of the Library are well kept, and those in charge of them are entitled to commendation. The practice set forth, in the last report of the Trustees, of keeping the expenses within the available means, is also to be noted and commended.

An erroneous impression prevails to some extent that the appropriations made by the city government are sufficient for all the purposes of the Library. There is, however, always an opportunity to make good use of more money, and it is much to be hoped that this will be borne in mind by liberal persons, and that substantial gifts and bequests of money will become more frequent. The legacy recently left by the late Mr. Daniel S. Ford will be welcomed with grateful appreciation on the part of all lovers of the Library.

The Committee has found nothing to criticise in the manner of carrying on the Central Library. Books are now delivered to borrowers and readers in much less time than formerly; the attendants are obliging and efficient; the use of the Library has increased, and, so far as we know, good order has uniformly prevailed in all the rooms. This last feature is especially noteworthy on Sunday evening. One of our number (Rev. Dr. Donald) is able to speak with knowledge on this point, having made very many visits to the Library on that evening. It is a matter alike of congratulation and of pride that we now have so well-ordered a library, the management of which at once attracts the attention and elicits the commendation of intelligent visitors, both domestic and foreign.

We are satisfied that the Trustees acted wisely in the appointment of Mr. Whitney as Librarian.

For the Committee,

CHARLES ALLEN,
Chairman.

JAMES C. DAVIS,
Secretary.

January 23, 1900.

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APPENDIX I.

FINANCE.

BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY,
AUDITING DEPARTMENT, February 1, 1900.*To the Trustees:*

GENTLEMEN,—The undersigned herewith presents a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Library Department for the financial year beginning February 1, 1899, and ending January 31, 1900; also a statement concerning the trust and other funds, statements covering special appropriations, and a statement of expenditures on account of the branches for the twelve years ending 1899–1900.

Respectfully,

A. A. NICHOLS,

Auditor.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation, 1899–1900	\$255,000 00	
Income from trust funds:		
Balance from 1898–99	\$7,903 26	
During the year	11,523 50	
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	\$19,426 76	
Less amount transmitted to J.		
S. Morgan & Co.	5,000 00	
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		14,426 76
London accounts:		
Balance in hands of J. S. Morgan		
& Co., February 1, 1899:		
Trust funds income	\$9,473 12	
City appropriation	9,717 72	
During the year	7,028 57	
Interest	383 08	
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	\$26,602 49	
Balance in hands of Baring Bros.		
& Co.	72 75	
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		26,675 24
<i>Carried forward</i>		\$296,102 00

<i>Brought forward</i>				\$296,102 00
Gifts:				
From sundry sources for the purchase of photographs:				
Unexpended February 1, 1899	\$42	21		
During the year	323	79		
			\$366	00
From Godfrey M. Hyams			1,000	00
From Allen A. Brown			100	00
From J. W. Dunphy			137	74
From Boston Numismatic Society, unexpended February 1, 1899			237	13
From Lilian Whiting unexpended February 1, 1899			25	00
From Elizabeth Lewis, unexpended February 1, 1899			01	
				1,865 88
Exchange account:				
Lost books, sales of duplicates, etc.:				
Balance from 1898-99	\$1,358	39		
During the year	226	86		
				1,585 25
Codman Memorial Fund			2	00
Interest on bank deposit			1,670	65
				\$301,225 78

EXPENDITURES.

General library accounts, including the cost of maintaining branches:				
Salaries:				
General administration	\$133,886	00		
Sunday and evening force	18,542	37		
			\$152,428	37
Books:				
City appropriation,	\$12,691	00		
City appropriation, London account,	2,199	63		
			\$14,890	63
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$14,890	63	\$152,428	37
				\$301,225 78

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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$14,890 63	\$152,428 37	\$301,225 78
Trust Funds Income, including London account	10,367 39		
		25,258 02	
Newspapers :			
Todd Fund		1,970 38	
Periodicals		5,820 57	
Binding :			
Salaries	\$13,213 02		
Stock	1,715 99		
Equipment	55 27		
Contract work	2,752 46		
“ (British patent specifications.)	294 23		
		18,030 97	
Printing:			
Salaries	\$4,783 49		
Stock	2,000 04		
Equipment	1,025 62		
Contract work	1,196 57		
		9,005 72	
Furniture and fixtures		8,980 68	
Gas		1,464 30	
Electric lighting		2,182 92	
Cleaning		7,121 56	
Small supplies		1,450 29	
Ice		170 15	
Stationery		1,855 90	
Rents : Branch Libraries and Read- ing-rooms		5,620 00	
Fuel		8,175 54	
Repairs : Stock and contract work,		5,354 68	
Freights and cartage		802 88	
Transportation between Central Library, Branches and Delivery Stations		3,568 23	
Delivery Stations, service		4,025 24	
Water-rates		1,914 80	
Telephone service		348 67	
Postage and telegrams		898 61	
Typewriting		228 05	
Travelling expenses		443 28	
Advertising		2 40	
Grounds		6 75	
Miscellaneous expenses :			
Herbert Putnam, service and expenses	\$350 00		
Decorations (Dewey Day)	237 77		
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$587 77	\$267,128 96	\$301,225 78

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$587 77	\$267,128 96	\$301,225 78
Engrossing	75 00		
Premium on surety bonds	12 50		
		675 27	
Remittance to J. S. Morgan & Co.,			
London		2,028 57	
			\$269,832 80
Books: Boston Numismatic			
Society gift	\$20 53		
Books: J. W. Dunphy gift	122 06		
Books: Allen A. Brown gift	100 00		
Books: Godfrey M. Hyams			
gift	971 26		
Photographs: Subscription			
gift	366 00		
Lilian Whiting gift	23 00		
		1,602 85	
Exchange account:			
Refunded for books returned		15 40	
			271,451 05
Balance			<u>\$29,774 73</u>

The balance is made up of the following items, viz.:

Cash in City Treasury:			
Income from Trust Funds		\$6,156 10	
Cash on deposit in London:			
In hands of J. S. Morgan & Co.:			
Trust Funds	\$10,579 13		
General Funds	9,461 22		
		\$20,040 35	
In hands of Baring Bros. & Co.:			
General Funds		72 75	
			20,113 10
Cash on deposit with New England			
Trust Co., and on hand:			
Unexpended of donations carried			
to account of 1900-1901:			
Boston Numismatic Society		\$216 60	
Lilian Whiting gift		2 00	
Godfrey M. Hyams "		28 74	
J. W. Dunphy "		15 68	
Elizabeth Lewis "		01	
			263 03
Codman Memorial Fund			2 00
Exchange account: lost books, etc.			1,569 85
Interest on bank deposit			1,670 65
			<u>\$29,774 73</u>

GENERAL APPROPRIATION.

Comparative statement for fiscal years ending January 31, 1899 and 1900.

	1898-99.	1899-1900.
Salaries: General administration	\$128,109 74	\$133,886 00
" Sunday and evening force.....	17,168 98	18,542 37
Binding: Salaries.....	12,607 57	13,213 02
" Stock.....	1,499 48	1,715 99
" Contract work.....	2,918 48	2,762 46
" Equipment	419 68	55 27
Books.....	14,188 45	12,691 00
Periodicals.....	5,896 24	5,819 40
Furniture and fixtures.....	5,981 74	8,980 68
Gas.....	1,835 14	1,464 30
Electric lighting	1,968 74	2,182 92
Supplies.....	2,416 13	1,630 44
Cleaning	7,404 85	7,131 56
Printing: Equipment....	1,068 02	1,025 62
" Stock.....	2,601 24	2,000 04
" Contract work.....	1,547 31	1,196 57
" Salaries.....	4,806 19	4,783 49
Stationery.....	2,023 91	1,855 90
Typewriting.....	261 83	228 05
Fuel.....	6,789 78	8,175 54
Rents.....	5,600 00	5,620 00
Repairs.....	7,079 41	5,354 68
Freights and cartage.....	751 66	802 88
Transportation between Central Library and Branches....	3,573 17	2,568 23
Delivery stations	4,030 40	4,025 24
Travelling expenses.....	495 90	443 28
Postage and telegrams.....	1,054 52	896 61
Water-rates	1,718 60	1,914 80
Telephone service	534 60	548 67
Miscellaneous expense....	300 00	675 27
Advertising	326 75	2 40
Insurance	135 00	.....
Grounds.....	2 40	60 75
Remittance to J. S. Morgan & Co., London .....	.....	2,028 57
	\$246,856 87	\$255,000 00

The cost of maintaining the branches makes part of the general items of the several appropriations:

Cost of Branches, 1898-99	\$59,913 71
" " 1899-1900	60,295 98

The amount expended for newspapers, books, and binding (not included above) paid from trust funds and city money in hands of London bankers:

For 1898-99	\$8,782 84
" 1899-1900	6,604 33

The amount expended for books and photographs (not included above) paid from trust funds in hands of City Treasurer

1898-1899,	\$8,271 41
1899-1900,	8,270 66

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Library Building, Dartmouth street, balance of appropriation, February 1, 1899 . . . \$110,116 00

Payments on account of alterations:

Carriers, Lamson Store Service Company	\$5,807 65
Electrical work, Public Buildings Department	5,022 09
Rearranging ventilating system:	
Lynch & Woodward	3,595 23
Masonry, Connery & Wentworth	2,165 43
Carpentry, F. L. Whitcomb	2,029 97
Architects' services, A. S. Jenney and T. A. Fox	1,747 15
Ironwork, Smith & Lovett	1,181 00
Decorating, Elmer E. Garnsey	983 67
Expert service in heating and ventilating, S. Homer Woodbridge	762 71
Plumbing, Isaac N. Tucker	190 00
Bronze railing	155 50
Painting and small items	40 90

\$23,681 30

Statuary:

Augustus St. Gaudens on account . . . 1,000 00

24,681 30

Balance February 1, 1900 \$85,434 70

This balance will be required to settle outstanding contracts and claims.

Library building, furnishing, balance of city appropriation February 1, 1899 \$13,336 21

Payments on account:

F. L. Whitcomb	\$3,031 78
A. H. Davenport	1,751 50
Public Buildings Department	1,336 65
Edw. L. Caldwell	278 50
Mellish & Byfield Company	650 91
John H. Pray, Sons & Co.	351 94
Elmer E. Garnsey	290 00
C. H. McKenney & Co.	230 25
McKenney & Waterbury	179 65
Torrey, Bright & Capen Co.	140 00
Sundry small accounts	273 22

8,514 40

Balance February 1, 1900 \$4,821 81

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Branch Library, Broadway Extension, improvements, balance of appropriation February 1, 1899,	\$3,456 88
Payments on account:	
Books	\$350 96
Furniture and fixtures	95 00
	<u>445 96</u>
Balance February 1, 1900	<u>\$3,010 92</u>
Bust of Gen. Walker	\$2,500 00
Payments on account:	
Richard Edwin Brooks on account	1,300 00
Balance February 1, 1900	<u>\$1,200 00</u>

LONDON ACCOUNTS.

	Balances from 1898-99.	Remittances and Interest, 1899-1900.	Total Credits.	Expendi- tures, 1899-1900.	Balances to 1900-1901.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
J. S. Morgan & Co.,	3,949 12 3	1,440 5 8	5,468 17 3	1,350 4 9	4,118 12 11
J. S. Morgan & Co., Interest		78 19 9			
J. S. Morgan & Co., photograph fund,	8 13 11	.....	8 13 11	8 13 11	
Baring Bros. & Co.,	15 0 0	.....	15 0 0	.....	15 0 0
	<u>3,973 6 2</u>	<u>1,519 5 5</u>	<u>5,492 11 7</u>	<u>1,358 18 8</u>	<u>4,133 12 11</u>

STATEMENT OF TRUST FUNDS.

GIVER.	Principal.	Balances from 1898-99.	Income, 1899-1900.	Total Credits to date.	Expenditures, 1899-1900.	Balances unexpended.	Over- expended.
1. Joshua Bates.....	\$50,000 00	\$1,552 08	\$2,000 00	\$3,552 08	\$5,975 15	\$579 86	
2. Jonathan Phillips.....	30,000 00	2,574 86	1,600 00	4,174 86	2,161 79	2,013 07	
3. Abbott Lawrence.....	10,000 00	1,355 47	600 00	1,955 47	1,269 23	686 24	
4. Charlotte Harris.....	10,000 00	3,818 18	400 00	4,218 18	.....	4,218 18	
5. Henry L. Pierce.....	5,000 00	427 34	200 00	627 34	267 18	360 16	
6. Mary P. Townsend.....	4,000 00	692 32	170 00	862 32	208 27	646 05	
7. George Ticknor.....	4,000 00	116 39	160 00	276 39	27 94	248 45	
8. John P. Bigelow.....	1,000 00	249 46	40 00	289 46	92 09	197 37	
9. Franklin Club.....	1,000 00	123 13	40 00	163 12	13 87	149 25	
10. Samuel A. Green.....	2,000 00	241 17	95 00	336 17	45 65	290 52	
11. South Boston.....	100 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	* \$27 03
12. Arthur Scholfield.....	50,000 00	3,276 65	2,472 00	5,748 65	2,716 41	3,032 24	
13. Joseph Scholfield.....	11,800 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14. Thomas B. Harris.....	1,000 00	161 85	40 00	201 85	.....	201 85	
15. Daniel Treadwell.....	6,950 00	397 36	488 50	885 86	230 41	655 45	
16. Edward Lawrence.....	500 00	75 11	20 00	95 11	95 11	
17. J. Ingersoll Dowditch.....	10,000 00	1,179 82	350 00	1,529 82	220 97	1,308 85	

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18. Family of Charles Greely Loring.....	500 00	60 00	20 00	80 00	80 00
19. Charles Mead.....	2,500 00	200 00	100 00	300 00	300 00
20. Victorine T. Arts.....	10,000 00	453 94	400 00	833 94	35 85	818 09
21. Papyrus Club.....	1,000 00	60 00	40 00	100 00	18 75	81 25
22. Twentieth Regiment Association.....	5,000 00	120 55	200 00	320 55	81 12	239 43
23. William C. Todd.....	50,000 00	.....	2,000 00	2,000 00	11,970 88	.....
24. Caleb D. Bradlee.....	1,000 00	35 00	35 00	70 00	.....	70 00
25. Friends of Henry Sargent Codman (Memorial Fund).....	2,800 00	.....	49 00	49 00	7 71	41 29
	\$270,150 00	\$17,160 67	\$11,523 50	\$28,630 17	\$12,337 77	\$16,319 78
						\$46 80

* Over-expenditure of previous years \$31.03 less amount of income for 1899.

† Plus over expenditure of previous year, \$46.19.

GENERAL EXHIBIT OF APPROPRIATIONS, SOURCES OF REVENUE AND OTHER FUNDS.

	Balances from 1898-99.	Revenue Received dur- ing the year 1899-1900.	Appropriations.	Total Credits.	Expenditures for 1899-1900.	Balances to 1900-1901.
Library Building, Dartmouth street.....	\$110,116 00			\$110,116 00	\$24,681 20	\$85,434 70
Library Building, furnishing.....	13,336 21			13,336 21	8,514 40	4,821 81
General Library.....			\$255,000 00	255,000 00	* 255,000 00	
Trust Funds Income.....	7,903 26	\$11,523 50		19,426 76	† 13,270 66	6,156 10
Branch Library, Broadway Extension, Improvements.....	3,456 88			3,456 88	445 96	3,010 92
Book of General Walker.....	2,500 00			2,500 00	1,300 00	1,200 00
Exchange Account; lost books, sales of duplicates, etc.....	1,358 30	211 46		1,569 85		1,358 85
Fine Arts Fund (photographs).....	42 21	323 79		366 00	366 00	
Elizabeth Lewis.....						01
Boston Numismatic Society.....	227 13			227 13	20 53	206 60
Lillian Walling.....	25 00			25 00	25 00	00
Allen A. Brown gift.....		100 00		100 00	100 00	
Godfrey M. Hyams gift.....		1,000 00		1,000 00	971 96	28 74
J. W. Dunphy gift.....		137 74		137 74	122 06	15 68
Codman Memorial Fund.....		2 00		2 00		2 00

* This amount includes the sum of \$2,028.57 transmitted to J. S. Morgan & Co., December, 1899.

† This amount includes the sum of \$5,000 transmitted to J. S. Morgan & Co., January, 1900.

RECEIPTS FROM FINES, SALES OF CATALOGUES, LOST CARDS, ETC.

	1899-1900.
Fines.....	\$4,605 36
Catalogues.....	267 95
Lost cards.....	69 26
Auction sales.....	19 43
Pay telephone station, commission.....	30 49
Money found.....	8 75

Total amount paid to City Collector.....\$4,999 21

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EXPENDITURES FOR BRANCHES AND DELIVERY STATIONS, 1888-1900.

	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.	1891-92. (9 mos.)	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.
EAST BOSTON.												
Salaries	\$2,577 60	\$2,649 15	\$2,643 83	\$1,578 10	\$2,588 49	\$2,526 49	\$2,535 31	\$2,814 68	\$2,801 02	\$2,849 07	\$3,099 05	\$3,256 21
Books	384 28	338 22	255 55	417 68	513 70	288 87	359 85	843 14	920 38	783 00	846 61	1,016 76
Expense	686 73	483 02	999 90	004 96	767 05	704 88	621 15	609 45	709 53	715 06	843 69	795 74
	\$3,650 61	\$3,470 39	\$3,899 28	\$2,990 74	\$3,850 33	\$3,522 19	\$3,510 31	\$4,266 27	\$4,521 83	\$4,325 13	\$4,789 35	\$4,908 71
SOUTH BOSTON.												
Salaries	\$3,304 05	\$3,057 13	\$2,904 60	\$2,306 36	\$3,380 11	\$2,986 30	\$3,271 93	\$3,240 45	\$3,498 40	\$3,696 70	\$3,681 64	\$3,918 43
Books	774 93	642 08	418 46	707 85	783 56	573 23	771 37	808 75	1,810 38	873 32	876 70	882 08
Expense	3,620 53	2,748 16	3,172 57	3,102 20	3,054 57	3,328 14	3,142 36	3,694 76	3,804 23	3,178 25	3,102 49	3,125 73
	\$7,699 51	\$6,447 37	\$6,525 63	\$6,117 00	\$7,227 24	\$6,887 67	\$7,186 56	\$7,772 96	\$9,122 41	\$7,678 27	\$7,620 83	\$7,897 34
ROXBURY.												
Salaries	\$3,514 01	\$3,336 47	\$3,104 69	\$2,301 36	\$3,882 30	\$3,121 85	\$3,362 95	\$3,161 55	\$3,447 72	\$3,475 98	\$3,380 47	\$3,578 40
* Books	675 76	457 84	432 94	443 75	774 26	396 77	454 49	658 42	1,382 09	436 75	9 06	10
Expense	2,539 52	2,454 61	2,725 27	2,675 43	2,310 30	2,987 53	2,526 12	3,000 15	2,678 80	2,671 12	2,745 09	2,675 93
	\$7,129 29	\$6,228 42	\$6,332 90	\$5,419 53	\$6,966 76	\$6,476 15	\$6,283 56	\$6,820 13	\$7,468 71	\$6,583 85	\$6,134 61	\$6,254 45
CHARLESTOWN.												
Salaries	\$2,654 77	\$2,623 67	\$2,738 52	\$1,960 18	\$2,606 83	\$2,201 90	\$2,566 88	\$2,857 53	\$3,008 51	\$2,545 22	\$2,809 90	\$3,394 65
Books	672 11	563 39	604 78	375 17	689 15	886 00	428 64	885 91	1,266 10	646 11	520 41	277 94
Expense	924 80	871 99	868 86	872 93	974 89	1,105 35	789 05	913 62	1,085 78	885 24	913 31	803 56
	\$4,251 68	\$4,079 05	\$4,212 16	\$3,198 28	\$4,272 87	\$3,683 25	\$3,366 57	\$4,147 06	\$4,600 39	\$4,346 57	\$4,243 71	\$4,476 05

* Books added to this Branch were paid for by the Trustees of the Fellows Athenaeum.

EXPENDITURES FOR BRANCHES AND DELIVERY STATIONS. — Continued.

	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.	1891-92. (9 mos.)	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.
BRIGHTON.												
Salaries.....	\$1,613 39	\$1,592 55	\$1,562 20	\$1,134 87	\$1,758 88	\$1,687 77	\$1,572 00	\$1,868 00	\$2,040 75	\$2,117 97	\$2,260 83	\$2,430 44
Books.....	264 50	188 53	96 44	214 44	172 61	126 90	254 54	741 00	1,063 73	752 22	543 95	638 01
Expense.....	846 90	963 55	1,202 97	1,111 39	778 21	1,048 23	684 80	592 89	1,218 05	844 74	1,986 18	608 08
	\$2,724 79	\$2,734 63	\$2,862 11	\$2,460 70	\$2,709 70	\$2,862 90	\$2,711 34	\$3,261 89	\$4,322 53	\$3,714 93	\$4,790 51	\$3,576 53
DORCHESTER.												
Salaries.....	\$2,622 80	\$2,344 51	\$2,129 31	\$1,627 12	\$1,982 46	\$1,918 94	\$2,067 41	\$2,211 16	\$2,691 33	\$2,683 31	\$2,767 01	\$2,728 23
Books.....	673 10	423 95	293 67	386 22	422 04	331 33	464 05	806 05	1,310 70	704 82	580 92	659 67
Expense.....	804 76	906 74	1, 1 3	557 83	703 60	632 50	438 00	700 25	687 67	661 08	634 39	688 88
	\$4,100 66	\$3,737 20	\$3,438 21	\$2,571 17	\$3,068 10	\$2,882 77	\$3,019 46	\$3,717 44	\$4,689 60	\$4,029 21	\$3,982 32	\$4,046 78
SOUTH END.												
Salaries.....	\$2,301 87	\$2,246 81	\$2,186 75	\$1,544 40	\$2,351 53	\$1,869 93	\$2,127 27	\$2,239 76	\$2,344 25	\$2,352 67	\$2,405 67	\$2,505 33
Books.....	500 22	485 78	321 87	514 80	733 67	538 01	467 74	574 76	1,254 04	788 20	534 24	653 54
Expense.....	900 14	906 79	692 46	910 43	533 51	1,128 36	694 23	537 32	465 21	689 96	911 96	406 17
	\$3,702 23	\$3,639 38	\$3,111 08	\$2,969 63	\$3,619 11	\$3,536 32	\$3,270 20	\$3,351 84	\$4,063 50	\$3,780 83	\$3,831 27	\$3,545 54
JAMAICA PLAIN.												
Salaries.....	\$1,854 50	\$1,834 65	\$1,675 13	\$1,270 20	\$1,974 97	\$1,677 67	\$1,943 57	\$2,023 52	\$2,099 96	\$2,131 85	\$2,156 42	\$2,239 90
Books.....	601 69	365 57	374 06	589 54	697 83	293 37	349 96	733 58	1,174 27	763 37	605 58	609 10
Expense.....	888 55	884 67	838 17	774 14	706 11	1,023 75	889 10	702 25	836 26	641 30	887 94	769 09
	\$3,344 74	\$3,064 89	\$2,887 36	\$2,633 88	\$3,437 91	\$2,994 79	\$3,182 63	\$3,449 35	\$4,110 48	\$3,756 62	\$3,569 94	\$3,608 09

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

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EXPENDITURES FOR BRANCHES AND DELIVERY STATIONS.—(Continued.)

	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.	1891-92. (9 mos.)	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.
BOYLSTON STATION.												
Expense.....										(3 mos.) \$38 30	\$516 05	\$491 24
SCHOOL-HOUSES.												
Expense.....										47 52	33 25	85 24
ENGINE-HOUSES.												
Expense.....										71 41	38 10	87 62
UNION PARK ST.												
Salaries.....											(5 weeks) \$48 76	569 50
Expense.....											96	111 07
											\$49 01	\$680 57
											\$60,446 38	\$60,741 89

LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS.

BIGELOW FUND. — This is a gift from the late JOHN P. BIGELOW of Boston, in August, 1850, when Mayor of the city.

The income from this fund is to be appropriated to the purchase of books for the increase of the Library.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$1,000 00

Payable to the Chairman of the Committee on the Public Library for the time being.

BATES FUND. — This is a gift from the late JOSHUA BATES of London, in March, 1853.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$50,000 00

"The income only of this fund is to be, each and every year, expended in the purchase of such books of permanent value and authority as may be found most needful and most useful." Payable to the Mayor of the city for the time being.

BOWDITCH FUND. — This is the bequest of J. INGERSOLL BOWDITCH of Boston. Received January, 1890.

Invested in one City of Boston Three and one-half per cent. Bond, for \$10,000 00

The whole income in each and every year to be expended in the purchase of books of permanent value and authority in mathematics and astronomy.

PHILLIPS FUND. — This is a gift from the late JONATHAN PHILLIPS of Boston, in April, 1853.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$10,000 00

The interest on this fund is to be used exclusively for the purchase of books for said Library.

Also a bequest in his will, dated September 20, 1849.

Invested in one City of Boston Six per cent. Bond, for . . . \$20,000 00

The interest on this fund is to be annually devoted to the maintenance of a Free Public Library.

Both of these sums are payable to the Mayor of the city for the time being.

ABBOTT LAWRENCE FUND. — This is the bequest of the late ABBOTT LAWRENCE of Boston. Received May, 1860.

Invested in one City of Boston Six per cent. Bond, for . . . \$10,000 00

The interest on this fund is to be exclusively appropriated for the purchase of books for the said Library, having a permanent value.

EDWARD LAWRENCE FUND. — This is the bequest of the late EDWARD LAWRENCE of Charlestown. Received May, 1886. The following clause from his will explains its purpose:

"To hold and apply the income, and so much of the principal as they may choose, to the purchase of special books of reference to be kept and used only at the Charlestown Branch of said Public Library."

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$500 00

PIERCE FUND.—This is a gift from HENRY L. PIERCE, Mayor of the city, November 29, 1873, and accepted by the City Council, December 27, 1873.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$5,000 00

TOWNSEND FUND.—This is a gift from William Minot and William Minot, Jr., executors of the will of MARY P. TOWNSEND, of Boston, at whose disposal she left a certain portion of her estate in trust, for such charitable and public institutions as they may think meritorious. Said executors accordingly selected the Public Library of the City of Boston as one of such institutions, and attached the following conditions to the legacy: "The income only shall, in each and every year, be expended in the purchase of books for the use of the Library; each of which books shall have been published in some one edition at least five years at the time it may be so purchased." Received, April, 1879.

Invested in one City of Boston Three and one-half per cent. Bond, for . . . \$4,000 00

TICKNOR BEQUEST.—By the will of the late GEORGE TICKNOR of Boston, he gave to the City of Boston, on the death of his wife, all his books and manuscripts, in the Spanish and Portuguese languages, about four thousand volumes, and also the sum of four thousand dollars. After the receipt of said sum, the city is required to spend not less than one thousand dollars in every five years during the twenty-five years next succeeding (i.e., the income of four thousand dollars, at the rate of five per cent. per annum), in the purchase of books in the Spanish and Portuguese languages and literature. At the end of twenty-five years the income of said sum is to be expended annually in the purchase of books of permanent value, either in the Spanish or Portuguese language, or in such other languages as may be deemed expedient by those having charge of the Library. These books bequeathed or purchased are always to be freely accessible for reference or study, but are not to be loaned for use outside of the Library building. If these bequests are not accepted by the city, and the trusts and conditions faithfully executed, the books, manuscripts and money are to be given to the President and Fellows of Harvard College.

In order that the city might receive the immediate benefit of this contribution, Anna Ticknor, widow of the donor, relinquished her right to retain during her life the books and manuscripts, and placed them under the control of the city, the City Council having previously accepted the bequests in accordance with the terms and conditions of said will, and the Trustees of the Public Library received said bequests on behalf of the city, and made suitable arrangements for the care and custody of the books and manuscripts. Received April, 1871.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$4,000 00

FRANKLIN CLUB FUND.—This is a gift made in June, 1863, by a literary association of young men in Boston, who, at the dissolution of the association, authorized its trustees, Thomas Minns, John J. French and J. Franklin Reed, to dispose of the funds on hand in such a manner as to them should seem judicious. They elected to bestow it on the Public Library attaching to it the following conditions: "In trust that the income, but the income only, shall, year by year, be expended in the purchase of books of permanent value for the use of the free Public Library of the city, and as far as practicable, of such a character as to be of special interest to young men." The Trustees expressed a preference for books relative to Government and Political Economy. Received June, 1863.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$1,000 00

TREADWELL FUND. — By the will of the late DANIEL TREADWELL of Cambridge, late Rumford Professor in Harvard College, who died February 27, 1872, he left the residue of his estate, after payment of debts, legacies, etc., in trust to his executors, to hold during the life of his wife for her benefit, and, after her decease, to divide the residue then remaining in the hands of the trustees as therein provided, and convey one-fifth part thereof to the Trustees of the Public Library in the City of Boston.

The City Council have accepted said bequest, and authorized the Trustees of the Public Library to receive the same, and to invest it in the City of Boston Bonds, the income of which is to be expended by said trustees, in such manner as they may deem for the best interests of the Library.

Invested in the City of Boston Four per cent. Bonds, for .	\$5,550 00
Invested in the City of Boston Three and one-half per cent. Bonds, for .	1,400 00
Invested in 16 shares Boston & Albany R.R. Co. stock, par value \$100 each .	1,600 00
Invested in 6 shares Boston & Providence R.R. Co. stock, par value \$100 each .	600 00
Invested in 12 shares Fitchburg R.R. Co. stock, par value \$100 each .	1,200 00
Invested in 1 share Vermont & Massachusetts R.R. Co. stock, par value \$100 each .	100 00
	<u>\$10,450 00</u>

CHARLOTTE HARRIS FUND. — Bequest of CHARLOTTE HARRIS, late of Boston, the object of which is stated in the following extract from her will:

"I give to the Charlestown Public Library \$10,000 to be invested on interest, which interest is to be applied to the purchase of books published before 1850. I also give to said Public Library my own private library, and the portrait of my grandfather, Richard Devens." Bequest accepted by City Council, July 31, 1877.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for .	<u>\$10,000 00</u>
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THOMAS B. HARRIS FUND. — Bequest of THOMAS B. HARRIS, late of Charlestown, for the benefit of the Charlestown Public Library. Received, April, 1884.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for .	<u>\$1,000 00</u>
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SCHOLFIELD FUND. — Bequest of ARTHUR SCHOLFIELD, who died in New York, January 17, 1883. The interest to be paid to certain heirs during their lives, and then to be used for the purchase of books of permanent value. The last heir, Joseph Scholfield, died November 18, 1889, and by his will bequeathed to the City of Boston the sum of \$11,800, which represents the income of said fund, received by him up to the time of his death, to be added to the fund given by his brother.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for .	\$50,000 00
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	<u>\$61,800 00</u>

GREEN FUND. — Gifts from Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, of Boston, of \$2,000, the income of which is to be expended for the purchase of books relating to American history.

Invested in two City of Boston Five per cent. Bonds, for .	\$1,500 00
Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for .	500 00
	<u>\$2,000 00</u>

SOUTH BOSTON BRANCH LIBRARY TRUST FUND. — Gift of a citizen of South Boston, the income of which is to be expended for the benefit of the South Boston Branch Library. Received September, 1879.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$100 00

CHARLES GREELY LORING MEMORIAL FUND. — This is a gift from the family of Charles Greely Loring, the income of which is to be expended for the purchase of books for the West End Branch. Received January, 1896.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$500 00

CHARLES MEAD PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUND. — Received from Charles Mead, executor of the estate of Charles Mead, the amount of legacy of the late Charles Mead, to constitute the "CHARLES MEAD PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUND," for the promotion of the objects of the Public Library, in such manner as the government of said Library shall deem best, and so far as the government shall deem consistent with the objects of the Library, to be used for the benefit of the South Boston Branch Library. Received October, 1896.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$2,500 00

ARTZ FUND. — This is a gift made in November, 1896, by Miss VICTORINE THOMAS ARTZ, of Chicago; the income "to be employed in the purchase of valuable rare editions of the writings, either in verse or prose, of American and of foreign authors." These books are to be known as the "Longfellow Memorial Collection."

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$10,000 00

JOHN BOYLE O'REILLY MEMORIAL FUND. — This fund was received from the members of the Papyrus Club, May, 1897. The income thereof is to be expended for the purchase of books in memory of their late member, JOHN BOYLE O'REILLY.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$1,000 00

TWENTIETH REGIMENT MEMORIAL FUND. — This is a gift made in April, 1897, by the Association of Officers of the Twentieth Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. It is to be used for the purchase of books of a military and patriotic character, to be placed in the alcove appropriated as a Memorial of the Twentieth Regiment.

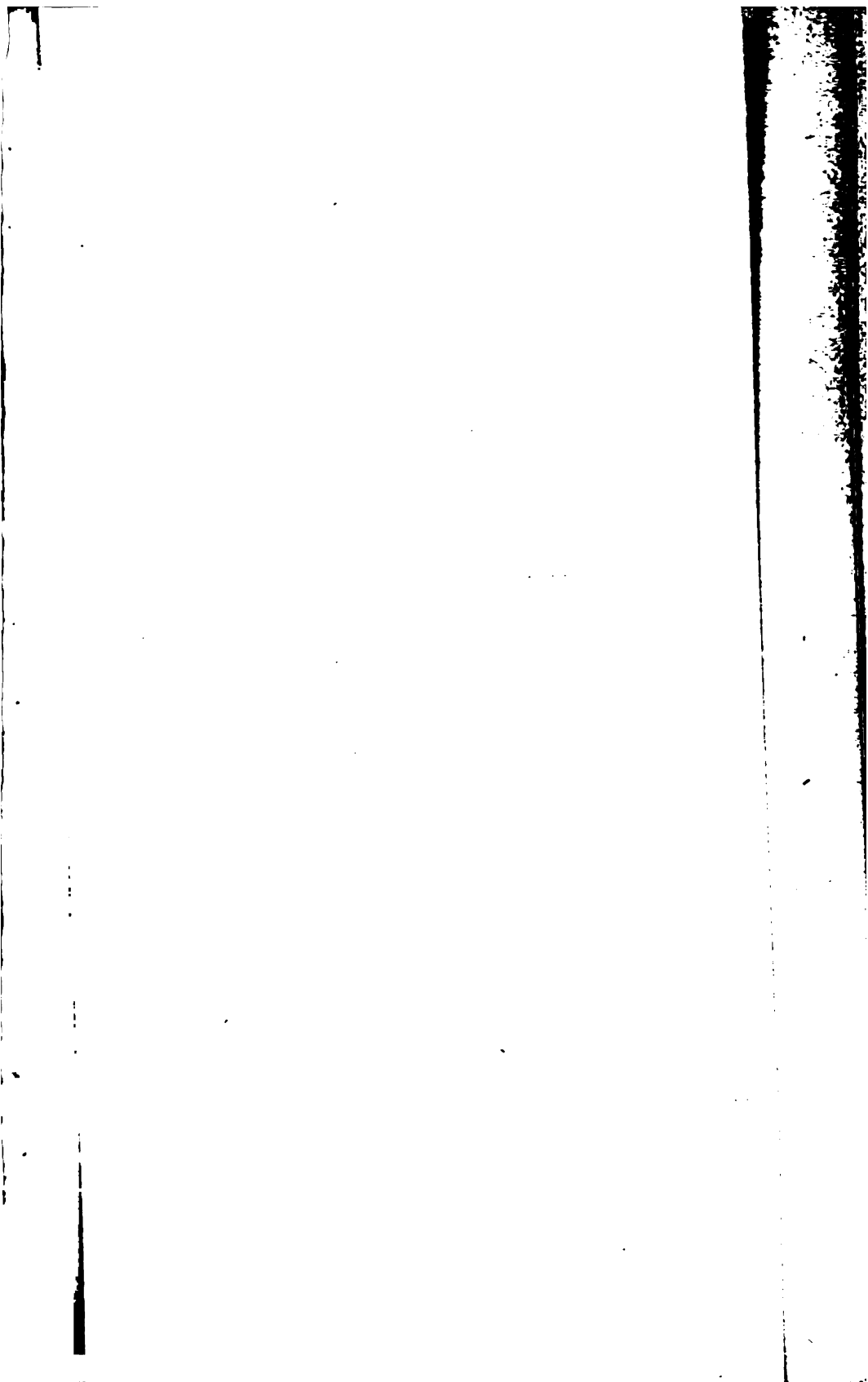
Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$5,000 00

TODD FUND. — This is a gift made in October, 1897, by WILLIAM C. TODD of Atkinson, New Hampshire. The income is to be expended annually in payment for such current newspapers of this and other countries as the board of officers for the time being having charge of the Public Library of the City of Boston, shall purchase.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$50,000 00

BRADLEE FUND. — A bequest of the late Rev. CALEB DAVIS BRADLEE, D.D., of Boston, to the Boston Public Library. Received November, 1897.

Invested in one City of Boston Three and one-half per cent.
Bond \$1,000 00



HENRY SARGENT CODMAN MEMORIAL FUND.— This is a contribution from the friends of the late Henry Sargent Codman, to be used to perpetuate the memory of Mr. Codman by the purchase of books upon landscape gardening. Received January, 1898.

Invested in one City of Boston Three and one-half per cent.

Bond	\$2,800 00
Cash in City Treasury, January 31, 1900	52 41
	<u>\$2,852 41</u>

RECAPITULATION OF PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS.

Scholfield Fund	\$61,800 00
Bates Fund	50,000 00
Todd Fund	50,000 00
Phillips Fund	20,000 00
Phillips Fund	10,000 00
Bowditch Fund	10,000 00
Charlotte Harris Fund	10,000 00
Abbott Lawrence Fund	10,000 00
Treadwell Fund	10,487 89
Artz Fund	10,000 00
Twentieth Regiment Memorial Fund	5,000 00
Pierce Fund	5,000 00
Townsend Fund	4,000 00
Ticknor Fund	4,000 00
Charles Mead Fund	2,500 00
Green Fund	2,000 00
Bigelow Fund	1,000 00
Thomas B. Harris Fund	1,000 00
Franklin Club Fund	1,000 00
John Boyle O'Reilly Memorial Fund	1,000 00
Bradlee Fund	1,000 00
Edward Lawrence Fund	500 00
Charles Greeley Loring Memorial Fund	500 00
South Boston Branch Library Trust Fund	100 00
Codman Memorial Fund	2,852 41
	<u>\$273,740 10</u>

APPENDIX II.

EXTENT OF THE LIBRARY BY YEARS.

YEARS.		Total volumes in the Libraries.	YEARS.		Total volumes in the Libraries.	YEARS.		Total volumes in the Libraries.
1	1852-53	9,688	17	1868-69	152,796	33	1884-85	453,947
2	1853-54	16,221	18	1869-70	160,573	34	1885	460,968
3	1854-55	22,617	19	1870-71	179,250	35	1886	479,421
4	1855-56	28,080	20	1871-72	192,968	36	1887	492,966
5	1856-57	34,896	21	1872-73	209,456	37	1888	503,872
6	1857-58	70,851	22	1873-74	260,550	38	1889	520,508
7	1858-59	78,043	23	1874-75	276,918	39	1890	536,027
8	1859-60	85,081	24	1875-76	297,873	40	1891	556,283
9	1860-61	97,386	25	1876-77	312,010	41	1892	576,237
10	1861-62	105,084	26	1877-78	345,734	42	1893	597,152
11	1862-63	110,563	27	1878-79	360,963	43	1894	610,375
12	1863-64	116,364	28	1879-80	377,225	44	1895	628,297
13	1864-65	123,016	29	1880-81	390,962	45	1896-97	663,763
14	1865-66	130,678	30	1881-82	404,321	46	1897-98	696,888
15	1866-67	136,080	31	1882-83	422,116	47	1898-99	716,050
16	1867-68	144,092	32	1883-84	438,594	48	1899-1900	746,383

VOLUMES IN LIBRARY AND BRANCHES, JANUARY 31, 1900.
ACCORDING TO LOCATION.

Central Library		557,624	Jamaica Plain	12,525
Duplicate room		22,029	South Boston	14,472
		579,653	South End	13,321
Roxbury branch	Fellowes Athenæum.....	20,451	West End.....	11,323
	Collection owned by City.	12,974	West Roxbury.....	4,521
	Total, Roxbury branch.	33,425	Lower Mills (Station A).....	88
			Mattapan (Station D).....	96
			Mt. Bowdoin (Station F).....	992
Brighton		14,387	North Brighton (Station L)....	75
Charlestown		31,943	Broadway Ext. (Station P)....	1,754
Dorchester		15,927	Roxbury Crossing (Station S)...	213
East Boston.....		11,559	Ward Nine (Station U).....	137

APPENDIX III.

NET INCREASE OF THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS.

	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.
Bates Hall.....	13,518	15,306	16,499	20,498	32,491	11,821	20,273	26,579	20,680	21,937
Lower Hall.....	1's 50	1's 23	818	loss 455	746					
Duplicate room	419	2,355	1's 9,148	loss 542	1's 8,056	818	2,890	8,608	2,063	6,894
Brighton branch	91	167	98	23	292	107	1,217	276	1's 3,190	471
Charlestown branch..	233	431	23	339	300	loss 16	1's 112	396	2,095	1's 13
Dorchester branch ...	269	222	209	134	358	loss 73	1,415	159	1's 1,402	514
East Boston branch..	58	59	5	48	126	112	1,021	147	1's 1,478	1's 255
Jamaica Plain branch	150	214	112	221	329	273	1,277	374	1's 1,296	29
¹ North End branch..	12	224	84	75	63	1's 1,961	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roxbury branch	146	308	loss 352	147	382	48	1,202	1's 2,396	1's 1,638	1's 424
Fellowes Athenæum	361	438	289	318	318	407	348	402	936	990
South Boston branch	115	200	51	55	401	loss 289	1,509	loss 89	113	1's 440
South End branch....	187	385	loss 67	26	276	138	1,435	306	1's 683	1's 588
West End branch .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,897	6,522	1,555	385	466	496
W. Roxbury branch..	10	.....	.....	33	4	626	loss 8	185	169	199
Lower Mills reading room .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	85	8	.....	.....	.....
Mattapan reading room .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	73	24	1	.....	.....
Mt. Bowdoin reading room .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	74	982	loss 30	16	.....
North Brighton reading room .....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	74	loss 7	.....	1	1's 1
Broadway Extension reading room.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	261	724	307	290	172
Roxbury Crossing delivery station .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	213
Ward Nine delivery station.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	137
Total	15,519	20,256	8,633	20,915	29,927	18,695	35,696	35,129	17,162	30,333

¹ Collection transferred to West End branch.

PLACED ON THE

Central Library.....	
Central Library, Duplicate	
Brighton branch.....	
Charlestown branch.....	
Dorchester branch.....	
East Boston branch.....	
Jamaica Plain branch	
Roxbury branch, city collection	
Roxbury branch, Fellowes Ath	
South Boston branch.....	
South End branch.....	
West End branch	
West Roxbury branch	
Lower Mills reading room.....	
Mattapan reading room.....	
Mt. Bowdoin reading room	
North Brighton reading room	
Broadway Extension reading room...	
Roxbury Crossing delivery station.....	
Ward Nine delivery station.....	
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VOLUMES IN THE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS.

	1882.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1 98-99.	1899-1900.
Patent library	3,142	4,368	4,335	4,551	5,031	5,733	5,971	6,237	6,686	7,045
Bowditch library	3,324	5,509	5,693	5,717	6,003	6,077	6,193	6,379	6,349	6,439
Parker library	12,363	14,116	14,116	14,116	13,819	13,390	13,845	13,848	13,854	13,865
Prince library	2,274	2,933	3,000	3,025	3,045	2,045	2,045	2,045	2,047	2,049
Ticknor library	5,463	5,931	6,016	6,096	6,086	6,149	6,165	6,173	6,309	6,324
Barton library	13,487	13,740	13,764	13,775	13,694	13,637	13,491	13,491	13,491	13,493
Franklin library	240	465	492	499	565	573	583	591	598	603
Thayer library	893	1,500	3,364	5,269	5,333	5,384	5,385	5,385	5,388	5,386
John A. Lewis library	4	596	617	621	679	679	679	679	681	681
Gilbert library		420	430	430	432	432	432	432	432	432
Tosti library (1868, 139 vols.)	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	129
Hunt library (1877, 663 vols.)	669	669	669	669	669	669	669	669	669	669
John Adams library					2,819	2,819	2,819	2,819	2,819	2,819
Allen A. Brown library					6,392	6,900	7,071	7,745	7,374 (framed)	8,181
Chamberlain library					150	150	150	150	150	150
Military library					308	315	321	595	668	711
U. S. Congressional docs.						3,629	3,763	3,884	4,043	4,187
Gr. Br. Parl. papers						6,476	6,584	6,698	6,792	6,910
Galatea library									1,184	1,340
Codman library									696	699
Artz library									624	630
Newspaper room									4,059	5,397
Browning collection									323	329
Statistical department									343	3,342

¹ Actual enumeration of original Prince library. Account is now made elsewhere of additions purchased by the city for this collection.

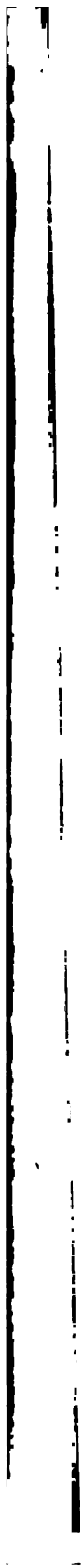
² There has been no loss in the Barton library, but a correction of an error of 136 previously made.

APPENDIX V.

CLASSIFICATION.

BRANCH LIBRARIES.

[This table is omitted from this year's report, owing to the reclassification now in process and uncompleted in the Branches.]



CLASSIFICATION OF HOLDERS OF "LIVE CARDS"
JANUARY 31, 1900.
BY SEX AND OCCUPATION.

CLASSES.	ORDINARY.		Special cards.
	Permanent residents.	¹ Non- residents.	
MALES.			
Over 21 years of age.			
Professional classes	2,421	89	260
Teachers	356	106	23
Students.....	1,012	832	—
Business men.....	7,237	83	27
Unemployed.....	1,628	204	—
Laborers	425	—	—
Under 21 years of age.			
Clerks	1,164	19	—
Office and errand boys.....	481	—	—
Unemployed	306	—	—
Pupils of Latin and High schools ..	807	12	—
Pupils of Grammar schools.....	8,048	3	—
Pupils of Grammar schools under 12 years	403	—	—
Other students.....	309	35	—
FEMALES.			
Over 21 years of age.			
Professional classes	241	50	190
Teachers	1,542	104	82
Students.....	820	919	—
Business women.....	4,208	80	—
Married.....	7,862	53	—
Single, unemployed.....	7,457	356	8
Under 21 years of age.			
Clerks	1,359	72	—
Errand girls.....	342	—	—
Unemployed	1,437	14	—
Pupils of Latin and High schools.....	1,156	9	—
Pupils of Grammar schools.....	8,263	5	—
Pupils of Grammar schools under 12 years	516	—	—
Other students.....	286	32	—
Totals.....	60,086	3,077	530

¹ Including persons temporarily sojourning in Boston.

N.B. — Of the 2,051 teachers' cards issued prior to February 1, 1900, 763 are live cards; of these, 608 are held by permanent residents, in addition to their ordinary cards (not included in permanent residents' column above), and 153 are held by non-residents (which are included in non-residents' column above).

BY WARDS.

Ward No.	No. of card-holders	Population, census of '95.	Percentage of card-holders.	Ward No.	No. of card-holders	Population, census of '95.	Percentage of card-holders.
1..	1,439	21,007	.0685	14...	1,801	19,186	.0938
2..	986	21,588	.0456	15...	1,308	18,623	.0702
3..	1,016	13,943	.0728	16...	1,527	16,330	.0935
4..	616	13,375	.0460	17...	1,353	21,114	.0640
5..	813	12,966	.0626	18...	1,858	21,679	.0857
6..	1,146	27,860	.0411	19...	2,013	22,372	.0899
7..	1,522	16,973	.0896	20...	3,911	21,528	.1816
8..	4,023	23,130	.1739	21...	4,260	19,274	.2210
9..	2,965	23,174	.1279	22...	2,888	22,299	.1295
10..	8,409	22,554	.3728	23...	2,609	18,283	.1427
11..	4,266	19,930	.2140	24...	3,409	18,240	.1868
12..	4,871	21,591	.2256	25...	2,693	15,001	.1795
13..	1,461	24,900	.0586	Total	63,163	496,920	.1271

PUBLIC SCHOOLS, TEACHERS AND PUPILS.

January 31, 1899.

GENERAL SCHOOLS.	Number of schools.	NUMBER OF REGULAR TEACHERS.			Average number of pupils belonging.
		Men.	Women.	Total.	
Normal.....	1	2	9	11	314
Latin and High.....	11	83	91	174	5,400
Grammar.....	57	121	696	817	33,059
Primary.....	565	.....	565	565	29,666
Kindergartens.....	67	.....	134	134	3,307
Totals.....	703	206	1,495	1,701	77,246
SPECIAL SCHOOLS.					
Horace Mann.....	1	.....	.....	13	116
Spectacle Island.....	1	.....	.....	1	16
Evening High.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Central.....	.....	.....	.....	28	1,315
Charlestown Branch.....	.....	.....	.....	7	235
East Boston Branch.....	.....	.....	.....	6	127
Totals.....	3	.....	.....	55	2,309
Special teachers (not included above),.....	.....	20	94	114	.....
EVENING SCHOOLS.					
Elementary.....	12	.....	.....	144	2,887
Drawing.....	5	.....	.....	25	566
Totals.....	17	.....	.....	169	3,453
Grand total.....	723	226	1,589	2,039	83,008

APPENDIX VII.

CIRCULATION.

HOME USE ONLY.

	Total Circulation. Home Use.		From Central through Branches and Stations. Included in Central Library Circulation, "B."		From Branches through Stations. Included in Branch Circulation.	
	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1898-99.	1899-1900.
Central Library						
A., direct.....	330,008	328,917				
B., through branches and stations.....	92,841	102,070				
Brighton.....	36,217	36,017	909	515		
Charlestown.....	54,927	45,289	1,089	940		
Dorchester.....	55,768	52,654	729	754		
East Boston.....	60,435	58,967	1,693	2,127		
Jamaica Plain...	52,225	46,558	1,436	1,212		
Roxbury.....	86,023	80,422	760	719		
South Boston....	75,407	74,280	951	1,101		
South End.....	88,408	85,423	1,388	1,282		
West End.....	115,655	123,901	1,893	2,330		
West Roxbury...	22,376	22,649	1,932	1,664		
Station A.....	5,205	5,297	2,008	2,276	1,854	1,428
B.....	13,501	14,025	6,409	7,221	1,022	
D.....	2,702	3,851	3,649	3,411		
E.....	3,895	6,175	2,090	2,649	1,212	1,221
F.....	10,236	10,865	2,543	2,774		
G.....	9,041	9,675	4,567	4,569	1,880	1,458
H.....	7,410	8,072	3,667	4,374	1,063	1,720
J.....	8,886	8,430	3,979	4,849		
K.....	3,412	5,071	3,038	2,678		
L.....	3,014	3,748	1,862	2,186		
M.....	7,057	6,131	2,961	3,428		
N.....	9,946	10,247	5,215	4,102		
P.....	27,718	24,113	2,208	2,505		
Q.....	15,590	15,191	5,630	4,827		
Carried forward	1,235,204	1,224,641	79,374	82,971	9,009	6,107

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APPENDIX VII.—*Concluded.*

	Total Circulation. Home Use.		From Central through Branches and Stations. Included in Central Library Circulation, "B."		From Branches through Stations. Included in Branch Circulation.	
	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1898-99.	1899-1900.
<i>Brought forward</i>	1,235,204	1,224,641	79,874	82,971	9,009	6,107
Station R.....	11,873	13,642	7,743	8,965	¹ 1,974	¹ 2,227
S.....	14,653	13,021	2,901	4,536	⁴	
T....	9,875	9,940	6,174	4,867		² 58
U.....	1,300	13,442	336	4,603		
W.....		2,335		3,331		
Bowdoin School.....		179				
Brighton High School.....	1,108	2,550				
Charles Sumner School.....	277	692				
Cottage Place....	1,281	1,447				
Deer Island.....		290				
House of Reformation.....	4,513	2,498		48		
Marcella-street Home.....	398					
North Bennet street.....	464	421				
Parental School.....	1,047	1,573				
Rice Training School.....		707				
Roxbury High School....	248	548				
Sherwin School.....		298				
Back Bay P. O.....				⁵ 225		
City Almshouse.....				⁵ 242		
Engine-houses ..			⁵ 6,300	⁵ 6,426		
Hancock School.....			6,881	8,613		
Sand Gardens....				384		
Vacation Schools.....				227		
Total.....	1,245,842	1,251,541	92,841	102,070	9,009	6,107

¹ Included in *Dorchester Branch Circulation.*² " " *Jamaica Plain* " " "³ " " *Brighton* " " "⁴ " " *Roxbury* " " "⁵ Number sent on deposit. Number used on premises not recorded.

APPENDIX VIII.

TRUSTEES FOR FORTY-EIGHT YEARS.

The Hon. Edward Everett was President of the Board from 1852 to 1864; George Ticknor in 1865; William W. Greenough, Esq., from 1866 to April, 1888; from May 7, 1888, to May 12, 1888, Prof. Henry W. Haynes; Samuel A. B. Abbott, Esq., May 12, 1888, to April 30, 1895; Hon. F. O. Prince, October 8, 1895, to May 8, 1899; Hon. Solomon Lincoln, since May 12, 1899.

The Board for 1852 was a preliminary organization; that for 1853 made what is called the first annual report. At first it consisted of one alderman and one common councilman and five citizens at large till 1867, when a revised ordinance made it to consist of one alderman, two common councilmen and six citizens at large, two of whom retired, unless reelected, each year, while the members from the City Council were elected yearly. In 1878 the organization of the Board was changed to include one alderman, one councilman and five citizens at large, as before 1867; and in 1885, by the provisions of the amended city charter, the representation of the city government upon the Board, by an alderman and a councilman, was abolished, leaving the Board as at present, consisting of five citizens at large appointed by the Mayor.

Citizens at large in SMALL CAPITALS.

ABBOTT, SAMUEL A. B., 1879-95.	Coe, Henry F., 1878.
Allen, James B., 1852-53.	Crane, Samuel D., 1860-61.
APPLETON, THOMAS G., 1852-57.	CURTIS, DANIEL S., 1873-75.
Barnes, Joseph H., 1871-72.	Dennie, George, 1858-60.
BENTON, JOSIAH H., JR., 1894-99.	DE NORMANDIE, JAMES, 1895-99.
BIGELOW, JOHN P., 1852-68.	Dickinson, M. F., Jr., 1871-72.
BOWDITCH, HENRY I., 1865-68.	Drake, Henry A., 1863-64.
BOWDITCH, HENRY P., 1894-99.	DWIGHT, THOMAS, 1899.
Bradlee, John T., 1869-70.	Erving, Edward S., 1852.
Bradt, Herman D., 1872-3.	EVERETT, EDWARD, 1852-64.
Braman, Jarvis D., 1868-69.	Flynn, James J., 1883.
BRAMAN, JARVIS D., 1869-72.	Frost, Oliver, 1854-55; 1858-58.
Brown, J. Coffin Jones, 1861-62.	FROTHINGHAM, RICHARD, 1875-79.
Burditt, Charles A., 1873-76.	Gaffield, Thomas, 1867-68.
Carpenter, George O., 1870-71.	GREEN, SAMUEL A., 1868-78.
CARR, SAMUEL, 1895-96.	GREENOUGH, WILLIAM W., 1856-88.
CHASE, GEORGE B., 1876-85.	Guild, Curtis, 1876-77; 1878-79.
Clapp, William W., Jr., 1864-66.	Harris, William G., 1869-70.
Clark, John M., 1855-56.	Haynes, Henry W., 1858-59.
Clark, John T., 1873-78.	HAYNES, HENRY W., 1880-95.
CLARKE, JAMES FREEMAN, 1878-88.	HILLARD, GEORGE S., 1872-75; 1876-77.

- Howes, Osborne, Jr., 1877-78.
 Ingalls, Melville E., 1870-71.
 Jackson, Patrick T., 1864-65.
 Jenkins, Edward J., 1885.
 Keith, James M., 1868-70.
 Kimball, David P., 1874-76.
 Lawrence, James, 1852.
 Lee, John H., 1884-85.
 Lewis, Weston, 1867-68.
 LEWIS, WESTON, 1868-79.
 LEWIS, WINSLOW, 1867.
 LINCOLN, SOLOMON, 1897-99.
 Little, Samuel, 1871-73.
 Messinger, George W., 1855.
 Morse, Godfrey, 1883-84.
 MORTON, ELLIS W., 1870-73.
 Munroe, Abel B., 1854.
 Newton, Jeremiah L., 1867-68.
 Niles, Stephen R., 1870-71.
 O'Brien, Hugh, 1879-82.
 Pease, Frederick, 1872-73.
 Perkins, William E., 1873-74.
 Perry, Lyman, 1852.
 PIERCE, PHINEAS, 1888-94.
 Plummer, Farnham, 1856-57.
 Pope, Benjamin, 1876-77.
 Pope, Richard, 1877-78.
 Pratt, Charles E., 1880-82.
 PRINCE, FREDERICK O., 1888-99.
 PUTNAM, GEORGE, 1868-77.
 Reed, Samson, 1852-53.
 RICHARDS, WILLIAM R., 1889-95.
 Sanger, George P., 1860-61.
 Sears, Phillip H., 1859-60.
 Seaver, Benjamin, 1852.
 Shepard, Harvey N., 1878-79.
 SHURTLEFF, NATHANIEL B., 1852-68.
 Stebbins, Solomon B., 1882-83.
 Story, Joseph, 1855-56; 1865-67.
 THOMAS, BENJAMIN F., 1877-78.
 TICKNOR, GEORGE, 1852-66.
 Tyler, John S., 1863-64; 1866-67.
 WALKER, FRANCIS A., 1896.
 Warren, George W., 1852-54.
 Washburn, Frederick L., 1857-58.
 WHIPPLE, EDWIN P., 1868-70.
 Whitmore, William H., 1882-83.
 WHITMORE, WILLIAM H., 1885-88.
 Whitney, Charles V., 1883-85.
 Whitney, Daniel H., 1862-63.
 Wilson, Elisha T., 1861-63.
 Wilson, George, 1852.
 WINSOR, JUSTIN, 1887.
 Wolcott, Roger, 1879.
 Wright, Albert J., 1868-69.

LIBRARIANS.

1852 to date.

(From 1858 to 1877 the chief executive officer was entitled Superintendent.)

- CAPEN, EDWARD, *Librarian*, May 13, 1852-December 16, 1874.
 JEWETT, CHARLES C., *Superintendent*, 1858-January 9, 1868.
 WINSOR, JUSTIN, *Superintendent*, February 25, 1868-September 30, 1877.
 GREEN, DR. SAMUEL A., *Trustee, Acting Librarian*, October 1, 1877-September 30, 1878.
 CHAMBERLAIN, MELLEN, *Librarian*, October 1, 1878-September 30, 1890.
 DWIGHT, THEODORE F., *Librarian*, April 13, 1892-April 30, 1894.
 PUTNAM, HERBERT, *Librarian*, February 11, 1895-April 3, 1899.
 WHITNEY, JAMES L., *Acting Librarian*, March 31, 1899-December 21, 1899; *Librarian*, December 22, 1899.

APPENDIX IX.

EXAMINING COMMITTEES FOR FORTY-EIGHT YEARS.

The following have served on the Examining Committees for the years given. The names in *italics* are those of Trustees who have acted as chairmen of the various committees. The thirty-fourth year was from May 1 to December 31, 1885, a period of eight months, for which no Examining Committee was appointed.

- Abbott, *Hon.* J. G., 1870.
 Abbott, *S. A. B.*, 1880, 1894.
 Adams, Brooks, 1894.
 Adams, Nehemiah, *D. D.*, 1860.
 Adams, Wm. T., 1875.
 Alger, *Rev.* Wm. R., 1870.
 Allen, *Hon.* Charles, 1899.
 Amory, *Miss* Anna S., 1890, 1891.
 Andrew, *Hon.* John F., 1888.
 Andrews, Augustus, 1892, 1893.
 Appleton, *Hon.* Nathan, 1854.
 Apthorp, Wm. F., 1883, 1899.
 Arnold, Howard P., 1881.
 Aspinwall, *Col.* Thomas, 1860.
 Attwood, G., 1877.
 Bailey, Edwin C., 1861.
 Ball, Joshua D., 1861.
 Bancroft, Robert H., 1894.
 Bangs, Edward, 1887.
 Barnard, James M., 1866.
 Barry, *Rev.* Richard J., 1895.
 Bartlett, Sidney, 1869.
 Bates, *Hon.* John L., 1896, 1897.
 Beebe, James M., 1858.
 Beecher, *Rev.* Edward, 1854.
 Bent, Samuel Arthur, 1890, 1891.
 Bigelow, Jacob, *M. D.*, 1857.
 Bigelow, *Hon.* John P., 1856.
 Blagden, George W., *D. D.*, 1856.
 Blake, J. Bapst, *M. D.*, 1897, 1898.
 Blake, John G., *M. D.*, 1883, 1891.
 Blake, *Mrs.* Mary E., 1894.
 Bodfish, *Rev.* Joshua P., 1879, 1891.
 Bowditch, Alfred, 1899.
 Bowditch, Henry I., *M. D.*, 1855.
 Bowditch, *Henry I.*, *M. D.*, 1865.
 Bowditch, Henry P., *M. D.*, 1881.
 Bowditch, J. Ingersoll, *LL. D.*, 1855.
 Bowman, Alfonzo, 1867.
 Bowne, *Prof.* Borden P., 1896, 1897.
 Bradford, Charles F., 1868.
 Bragg, *Hon.* Henry W., 1898, 1899.
 Brewer, Thomas M., 1865.
 Brimmer, *Hon.* Martin, 1890, 1891.
 Brooks, *Rev.* Phillips, 1871.
 Brown, Allen A., 1894.
 Brown, Francis H., *M. D.*, 1899.
 Browne, Alex. Porter, 1891.
 Browne, Causten, 1876.
 Buckingham, C. E., *M. D.*, 1872.
 Burdett, Everett W., 1896, 1897.
 Burroughs, *Rev.* Henry, Jr., 1869.
 Byrne, *Very Rev.* William, 1899.
 Carr, Samuel, 1894.
 Carruth, Herbert S., 1892.
 Chadwick, James R., *M. D.*, 1877.
 Chamberlain, *Hon.* Mellen, 1894.
 Chaney, *Rev.* George L., 1868.
 Chase, George B., 1876.
 Chase, George B., 1877, 1885.
 Cheever, David W., *M. D.*, 1894.
 Cheever, *Miss* Helen, 1896, 1897.
 Cheney, *Mrs.* Ednah D., 1881.
 Clapp, William W., Jr., 1864.
 Clarke, James Freeman, *D. D.*, 1877.
 Clarke, James Freeman, *D. D.*, 1882.
 Clement, Edward H., 1894, 1895.
 Coale, George O. G., 1892, 1893.
 Collar, William C., 1874.
 Collins, *Hon.* Patrick A., 1898, 1899.
 Connolly, *Rev.* Arthur T., 1898, 1899.
 Corbett, *Hon.* Joseph J., 1896, 1897.
 Cudworth, Warren H., *D. D.*, 1878.
 Curtis, Charles P., 1862.
 Curtis, Daniel S., 1872.
 Curtis, Thomas B., *M. D.*, 1874.
 Cushing, Thomas, 1885.
 Dalton, Charles H., 1884.
 Dana, Samuel T., 1857.
 Davis, James C., 1899.
 Dean, Benjamin, 1873.
 Denny, Henry G., 1876.
 Derby, Hasket, *M. D.*, 1895, 1896.
 Dexter, *Rev.* Henry M., 1866.
 Dillingham, *Rev.* Pitt, 1886.
 Dix, James A., 1860.
 Doherty, Phillip J., 1888.
 Donahoe, Patrick, 1869.
 Donald, *Rev.* E. Winchester, 1898, 1899.

- Donnelly, Charles F., 1899.
 Durant, Henry F., 1863.
 Duryea, Joseph T., *D.D.*, 1880.
 Dwight, John S., 1868.
 Dwight, Thomas, *M.D.*, 1880.
 Eastburn, Manton, *D.D.*, 1863.
 Eaton, William S., 1887.
 Edes, Henry H., 1886.
 Eliot, Samuel, *LL.D.*, 1868.
 Ellis, Arthur B., 1888, 1889.
 Ellis, Calvin, *M.D.*, 1871.
 Ellis, George E., *D.D.*, 1881.
 Endicott, William, Jr., 1878.
 Ensworth, William H., *M.D.*, 1898,
 1899.
 Ernst, Carl W., 1897, 1898.
 Evans, George W., 1887, 1888, 1889.
 Everett, Sidney, 1895.
 Fallon, *Hon.* Joseph D., 1899.
 Farlow, John W., *M.D.*, 1892, 1893.
 Field, Miss Gretchen, 1898.
 Field, Walbridge A., 1866.
 Fields, James T., 1872.
 Fitz, Reginald H., 1879.
 Fitz, Walter Scott, 1894.
 Foote, *Rev.* Henry W., 1864.
 Fowle, William F., 1864.
 Freeland, Charles W., 1867.
 Frost, Oliver, 1854.
 Frothingham, Richard, 1876.
 Furness, Horace Howard, *LL.D.*,
 1882.
 Gannett, Ezra S., *D.D.*, 1855.
 Gargn, Thomas J., 1899.
 Garland, George M., *M.D.*, 1895,
 1896.
 Gay, George H., 1876.
 Gilchrist, Daniel S., 1872.
 Gordon, George A., *D.D.*, 1885,
 1899.
 Gould, A. A., *M.D.*, 1864.
 Grant, Robert, 1884.
 Gray, John C., *LL.D.*, 1877.
 Green, Samuel A., *M.D.*, 1868.
 Green, Samuel S., 1895.
 Greenough, William W., 1858, 1874,
 1883, 1886.
 Grinnell, Charles E., 1874.
 Hale, *Rev.* Edward E., 1858.
 Hale, Mrs. George S., 1887, 1888.
 Hale, Moses L., 1862.
 Hale, Philip, 1893.
 Haskins, *Rev.* George F., 1865.
 Hassam, John T., 1885.
 Hayes, *Hon.* F. B., 1874.
 Haynes, Henry W., 1879.
 Haynes Henry W., 1881, 1884.
 Hayward, George, *M.D.*, 1863.
 Heard, John, Jr., 1888, 1889, 1891.
 Heard, John T., 1853.
 Hellier, Charles E., 1895.
 Hemenway, Alfred, 1898, 1899.
 Herford, Brooke, *D.D.*, 1884.
 Herrick, Samuel E., *D.D.*, 1888,
 1889.
 Hersey, Miss Heloise E., 1895, 1896.
 Higginson, Francis L., 1899.
 Higginson, Thomas W., 1883.
 Hill, Clement Hugh, 1880.
 Hillard, *Hon.* George S., 1853.
 Hillard, *Hon.* George S., 1873.
 Hills, Thomas, 1898, 1899.
 Hodges, Richard M., *M.D.*, 1870.
 Holmes, Edward J., 1881, 1884.
 Holmes, Oliver W., *M.D.*, 1858.
 Holmes, Oliver W., Jr., *LL.D.*,
 1882.
 Homans, Charles D., *M.D.*, 1867.
 Homans, Mrs. Charles D., 1885,
 1886, 1887.
 Homer, George, 1870.
 Homer, Peter T., 1857.
 Horton, *Rev.* Edward A., 1899.
 Hubbard, James M., 1891.
 Hubbard, William J., 1858.
 Hudson, John E., 1895, 1896.
 Hunnewell, James F., 1880, 1893,
 1894.
 Hutchins, Miss Emma, 1895, 1896.
 Hyde, George B., 1879.
 Irwin, Miss Agnes, 1894.
 Jeffries, B. Joy, *M.D.*, 1869.
 Jeffries, William A., 1893.
 Jenkins, Charles E., 1879.
 Jewell, *Hon.* Harvey, 1863.
 Jordan, Eben D., 1873.
 Kidder, Henry P., 1870.
 Kimball, David P., 1874.
 Kimball, Henry H., 1865.
 Kirk, Edward N., *D.D.*, 1859.
 Lawrence, *Hon.* Abbott, 1853.
 Lawrence, Abbott, 1859.
 Lawrence, Miss Harriette S., 1890.
 Lawrence, James, 1855.
 Lee, Miss Alice, 1889, 1890, 1891.
 Lee, *Hon.* John H., 1897, 1898.
 Lewis, Weston, 1872, 1878.
 Lincoln, *Hon.* F. W., 1856.
 Lincoln, *Hon.* Solomon, 1886.
 Little, James L., 1864.
 Lombard, *Prof.* Josiah L., 1868.
 Loring, *Hon.* Charles G., 1855.
 Lothrop, Loring, 1866.
 Lowell, A. Lawrence, 1897, 1898.
 Lowell, Augustus, 1888.
 Lowell, Edward J., 1885.
 Lunt, *Hon.* George, 1874.
 Lyman, George H., *M.D.*, 1885.
 McCleary, Samuel F., 1890.
 McNulty, *Rev.* John J., 1896, 1897.
 Manning, *Rev.* Jacob M., 1861.
 Mason, *Rev.* Charles, 1857.
 Mason, Miss Ellen F., 1898, 1899.
 Mason, Frank S., 1899.
 Mason, Robert M., 1869.
 Maxwell, J. Audley, 1883.

- Metcalf, Rev. Theodore A., 1888, 1889.
 Minns, Thomas, 1864.
 Minot, Francis, 1866.
 Morison, Miss Mary, 1892, 1893, 1895.
 Morrill, Charles J., 1885.
 Morse, John T., Jr., 1879.
 Morse, Robert M., Jr., 1878.
 Morton, Hon. Ellis W., 1871.
 Mudge, Hon. E. R., 1871.
 Neale, Rollin H., D.D., 1853.
 Noble, John, 1882, 1899.
 Norcross, Otis, 1880.
 O'Brien, Hon. Hugh, 1879.
 O'Callaghan, John J., 1895.
 O'Reilly, John Boyle, 1878.
 Otis, G. A., 1860.
 Paddock, Rt. Rev. Benj. H., 1876.
 Parker, Charles Henry, 1888, 1889.
 Parker, Mrs. William L., 1897, 1898.
 Parkman, Henry, 1885.
 Parks, Rev. Leighton, 1882, 1896, 1897.
 Perkins, Charles C., 1871.
 Perry, Thomas S., 1879, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1890, 1891.
 Phillips, John C., 1882.
 Phillips, Jonathan, 1854.
 Pierce, Hon. Henry L., 1891.
 Pingree, Miss Lalia B., 1894.
 Prescott, William H., LL.D., 1853.
 Prince, Hon. F. O., 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1895, 1896.
 Putnam, George, D.D., 1870.
 Putnam, Hon. John P., 1865.
 Putnam, William L., 1898, 1899.
 Randall, Charles M., M.D., 1884.
 Reed, Henry R., 1899.
 Rice, Hon. Alexander H., 1860.
 Robbins, Elliott, M.D., 1893.
 Roberts, Rev. W. Dewees, 1899.
 Roche, James Jeffrey, 1898, 1899.
 Rogers, Prof. William B., 1861.
 Rollins, J. Wingate, 1888, 1889.
 Ropes, John C., 1872.
 Rotch, Benjamin S., 1863.
 Runkle, Prof. J. D., 1882.
 Russell, Samuel H., 1880.
 Sampson, O. H., 1892, 1893.
 Sanger, Hon. George P., 1860.
 Searle, Charles P., 1898, 1899.
 Seaver, Edwin P., 1881.
 Shepard, Hon. Harvey N., 1888, 1889.
 Sherwin, Mrs. Thomas, 1893, 1894.
 Shurtleff, Hon. Nathaniel B., 1857.
 Smith, Azariah, 1895, 1896.
 Smith, Charles C., 1873.
 Smith, Mrs. Charles C., 1881, 1886.
 Smith, Miss Minna, 1892.
 Sowdon, A. J. C., 1892, 1893.
 Sprague, Charles J., 1859.
 Sprague, Mrs. Henry H., 1899.
 Sprague, Homer B., 1882.
 Stedman, C. Ellery, M.D., 1888.
 Stevens, Oliver, 1858.
 Stevenson, Hon. J. Thomas, 1856.
 Stockwell, S. N., 1861.
 Stone, Col. Henry, 1885, 1886, 1887.
 Story, Joseph, 1856.
 Sullivan, Richard, 1883, 1884.
 Teele, John O., 1886.
 Thaxter, Adam W., 1855.
 Thayer, George A., 1875.
 Thayer, Rev. Thomas B., 1862.
 Thomas, B. F., LL.D., 1875.
 Thomas, Seth J., 1856.
 Ticknor, Miss Anna E., 1891.
 Ticknor, George, LL.D., 1853, 1854, 1855, 1859, 1863, 1866.
 Tillinghast, Caleb B., 1895, 1896.
 Tobey, Hon. Edward S., 1862.
 Todd, William C., 1894.
 Turner, Miss Frances H., 1899.
 Twombly, Rev. A. S., 1883, 1884.
 Upham, J. B., M.D., 1865.
 Vibbert, Rev. Geo. H., 1873.
 Wadlin, Horace G., 1899.
 Wales, George W., 1875.
 Walley, Hon. Samuel H., 1862.
 Ward, Rev. Julius H., 1882.
 Ware, Charles E., M.D., 1875.
 Ware, Darwin E., 1881.
 Ware, Mrs. Darwin E., 1899.
 Warner, Hermann J., 1867.
 Warren, Hon. Charles H., 1859.
 Warren, J. Collins, M.D., 1878.
 Waterston, Rev. Robert C., 1867.
 Weissbein, Louis, 1893.
 Wells, Mrs. Kate G., 1877.
 Wendell, Prof. Barrett, 1895, 1896.
 Wharton, William F., 1886.
 Whipple, Edwin P., 1869.
 Whitmore, William H., 1887.
 Whitney, Daniel H., 1862.
 Whitney, Henry A., 1873.
 Wightman, Hon. Joseph M., 1859.
 Williams, Harold, M.D., 1888, 1889, 1890.
 Williamson, William C., 1881.
 Williamson, Mrs. William C., 1897, 1898.
 Wilson, Elisha T., M.D., 1861.
 Winsor, Justin, LL.D., 1867.
 Winthrop, Hon. Robert C., 1854.
 Winthrop, Robert C., Jr., 1887.
 Wood, Frank, 1897, 1898.
 Woodbury, Charles Levi, 1871.
 Woolson, Mrs. Abba Goold, 1888, 1889.
 Wright, Hon. Carroll D., 1884.

APPENDIX X.

SCHEDULE OF LIBRARY SERVICE.

Note.—This has been brought down to April 30, 1900. The order is (1) by rank in grades, and (2) alphabetical, within each grade.

SUMMARY.

Central Library	167	Males	87	Females	80
Branches and Reading rooms	65	"	14	"	51
	<hr/> 232		<hr/> 101		<hr/> 131

Evening and Sunday service, Central Library, *80
 Sunday service, Branches, 11.

Extra assistance is employed at the branches.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Whitney, James L. . . .	1869	Librarian.
Fleischner, Otto	1891	Ass't Librarian.
† Mooney, George V . . .	1889	B. Special.
Deery, D. Jean	1891	B. "
Learned, Lucie A. . . .	1891	B. "
Cellarius, Theodore W. .	1892	D. "
Hutchins, Fernald	1896	D. "
McFarland, Peter V. . . .	1896	D. "
Nichols, Adelaide A. . . .	1868	Auditor.
** Bicknell, Margaret M. .	1896	C. Special.

CATALOGUE DEPARTMENT.

Hunt, Edward B.	1883	Chief.
¶ Swift, Lindsay	1878	A. Special.
Chevalier, Samuel A. . . .	1894	A. "
Murdoch, John	1896	A. "
Burnell, Carrie	1881	A.
Rollins, Mary H.	1886	A.
Seaver, Mrs. Lillian F. . .	1888	A.
Rice, Edwin F.	1885	B. Special.
Tenney, Mary A.	1897	B. "
Bartlett, Mary R.	1897	B.
Cutler, Dora L.	1887	B.
Gould, Ida W.	1884	B.

* Serving from three to seven evenings a week each. The total number of positions is 37, evenings; 42, Sundays.

** Auditor's Assistant. † Custodian of Stock Room. ¶ Editor Library Publications.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Hemmings, Anita F. . . .	1897	B.
Leavitt, Luella K. . . .	1895	B.
Brennan, Thomas Francis . . .	1890	C. Special.
Dolan, Charles W. . . .	1894	D.
Shaughnessy, John F. . . .	1898	D. Runner.

ORDERING DEPARTMENT.

Macurdy, Theodosia E. . . .	1889	Chief.
Coolidge, Marie	1893	B. Special.
Seemüller, Mary	1899	B. "
Frinsdorff, Emily O. . . .	1894	B.
Goddard, Mrs. Frances H. . . .	1892	B.
McGrath, Mary A. . . .	1868	B.
Keleher, Alice A. . . .	1891	C.
Smith, Arthur E. F. . . .	1897	C.
St. Louis, Robert E. . . .	1897	D. Runner.

SHELF DEPARTMENT.

Roffe, William G. T. . . .	1881	A. Div. 2.
Locke, John F. . . .	1894	B. Special.
Richmond, Bertha P. . . .	1895	B.
Connor, George H. . . .	1891	C. Special.
Eberhart, John	1894	C. "
Reardon, John H. . . .	1896	C. "
Caiger, Eliza F. A. . . .	1895	D.
Lucid, John F. . . .	1893	D.
Muckensturm, Matthew . . .	1899	D.
Shawno, Robert	1898	D.

BATES HALL.

Bierstadt, Oscar A. . . .	1899	Custodian.
† Blaisdell, Frank C. . . .	1876	A. Special.
Doyle, Agnes C. . . .	1885	B. "
Buckley, Pierce E. . . .	1891	B.
Barry, Edward F. . . .	1890	C. Special.
McCarthy, Michael, Jr. . . .	1892	C. "
Plunkett, Albert J. . . .	1895	D. Special.
Hannigan, Frank J. . . .	1898	D.
Zaugg, Otto E. . . .	1895	D.
McKenzie, Kenneth	1897	D. Runner.
Beck, Ernest M. . . .	1900	E.

SPECIAL LIBRARIES.

Hitchcock, Grace A. . . .	1895	B. Special.
Whitney, Margaret D. . . .	1898	B. "
Chamberlain, Mrs. Marion L. . .	1897	B.
Hall, Belle S. . . .	1895	B.

† In charge of Patent and Newspaper Departments.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

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Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Ward, Joseph W. . . .	1891	C. Special.
Cassidy, Margaret L. . . .	1895	D. “
Kelly, Charlotte H. . . .	1895	D. “
Doyle, Charles A. . . .	1899	D. Runner.
Maiers, William C., Jr. . . .	1897	D. “
Therrien, Clyde	1899	D. “

DOCUMENTS DEPARTMENT.

Ford, Worthington C. . . .	1898	Chief.
Lane, Lucius P. . . .	1898	B. Special.
Cutting, Grace M. . . .	1899	C. “

PERIODICAL ROOM.

Wendt�, Frederika	1895	B.
Ford, Mary E. A. . . .	1895	D. Special.
Maguinness, James	1897	D.

NEWSPAPER ROOM.

Serex, Frederic	1895	B.
Keenan, Matthew T. . . .	1896	D. Special.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

McGuffey, Margaret D. . . .	1895	Chief.
*Sheffield, Mrs. Gertrude P. . . .	1896	B. Special.
Cuffin, M. Florence	1892	C. “
Sheridan, Mary C. . . .	1881	C. “
Desmond, Louise L. . . .	1895	C.
Richards, Florence F. . . .	1875	C.
Shumway, Marion H. . . .	1895	C.
Bertram, Lucy I. . . .	1895	D. Special.
Cunniff, Nellie L. . . .	1895	D. “
Dowling, S. Jennie	1895	D. “
McCarthy, Marion A. . . .	1895	D. “
Murphy, Annie G. . . .	1888	D. “
Reynolds, Mary A. . . .	1894	D. “
Schulz, Henry A. C. . . .	1898	D. “
Weichmann, Catherine A. . . .	1895	D. “
Connolly, Nelly L. . . .	1895	D.
Daly, Margaret C. . . .	1895	D.
Ethier, Lillian E. . . .	1895	D.
Gorman, John E. . . .	1895	D.
Kiernan, Letitia M. . . .	1895	D.
Lucid, Joseph A. . . .	1895	D.
Olson, Alphild	1895	D.
Olson, Bertha A. . . .	1895	D.
Shaughnessy, Mary A. . . .	1897	D.
Stetson, Nina M. . . .	1896	D.

* In charge of Juvenile Department.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Williams, Grace . . .	1895	D.
Zaugg, Joanna . . .	1895	D.
Barry, Margaret M. . .	1897	D. Runner.
Bryce, Jean M. . . .	1898	D. "
Cole, Grace E. . . .	1897	D. "
Day, Josephine E. . .	1899	D. "
Gorman, Annie L. . .	1899	D. "
Hagerty, Mary E. . .	1897	D. "
Hersey, Edna M. . . .	1898	D. "
McKiernan, John L. . .	1896	D. "
McSweeney, M. Agnes .	1897	D. "
Schnabel, Paul J. . .	1898	D. "
Hogan, C. Thomas . .	1899	E.
Williams, Eleanor M. .	1899	E.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT, BRANCH DIVISION.

Ward, Langdon L. . . .	1896	Supervisor of Branches and Delivery Stations.
Kueffner, Cecilia W. . .	1898	B.
Stevens, Alice V. . . .	1899	B.
Heimann, Otto A. . . .	1890	C. Special.
Morse, Maud M. . . .	1877	C. "
Bollig, Emma	1898	C.
Maier, Joseph A. . . .	1892	D. Special.
Brown, Richard	1898	D.
Conroy, Michael J. . . .	1897	D. Runner.

REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

Keenan, John J. . . .	1885	B. Special.
Murray, Ella K. . . .	1886	C.
Shelton, Richard B. . .	1895	D. Special.
Fillebrown, Emily F. . .	1895	D.

PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

		Position.
Lee, Francis W. . . .	1894	Chief.
Geyer, Willfried H. . .	1896	Pressman.
Greeley, Carrie P. . . .	1896	Compositor.
Land, Annie F. . . .	1896	"
O'Keefe, Charles J. . .	1899	Job pressman.

BINDERY.

Ryder, Frank	1883	Foreman.
Collins, Dennis J . . .	1887	Finisher.
Fuerst, Alexander . . .	1896	Forwarder.
Hoeffner, George . . .	1891	"
Ivory, John W. . . .	1893	"
Löfström, Konrad A. . .	1892	"
Murphy, John F. . . .	1883	"

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Name.	Entered.	Position.
Ochs, Alfred G. . . .	1900	Forwarder.
Sullivan, J. Henry . . .	1898	"
Hemstedt, William P. . .	1883	Pressman.
Bowen, Mrs. Sarah E. . .	1876	Sewer.
Doiron, Joanna	1896	"
Kiley, Margaret J. . . .	1889	"
Moriarty, Mary G. . . .	1875	"
Nolen, Sarah	1891	"
Potts, Ellen F.	1892	"
Soule, Ellen E.	1891	"

ENGINEER AND JANITOR DEPARTMENT.

Niederauer, Henry . . .	1894	Chief Engineer.
McCready, Alexander . .	1895	Engineer.
Malone, John P.	1895	"
O'Neill, Harry	1896	"
Zittel, George, Jr. . . .	1891	"
Herland, Nils J.	1895	Fireman.
Moran, John A.	1894	"
Karlson, Charles W. . . .	1896	Book Motors.
* Williams, John L. . . .	1886	Janitor.
Frye, Henry W.	1898	Janitor.
Kelley, James J.	1900	"
McCarty, Dennis	1888	Watchman.
McGee, Alexander D. . . .	1896	Painter.
Lawrence, John A.	1898	Carpenter.
Hanna, William T.	1895	Marble polisher.
Chavies, Samuel H.	1899	Elevator and Coat-room attendants.
Cole, William E.	1898	
Thomas, Arthur C.	1898	

EAST BOSTON BRANCH.

		Grade.
Walkley, Ellen O.	1897	B. Special.
Brackett, Marian W. . . .	1897	C.
Wing, Alice M.	1873	C.
Bickford, Lillian A. . . .	1891	D.
Matthews, Everett F. . . .	1899	Janitor.
Taylor, Charles F.	1897	"

SOUTH BOSTON BRANCH.

Bullard, N. Josephine . . .	1883	B. Special.
Eaton, Ellen A.	1873	C.
Sampson, Idalene L. . . .	1878	C.
McQuarrie, Annie C. . . .	1894	D.
Orcutt, Alice B.	1887	D.
Sumner, Alice F.	1897	D.
Baker, Joseph	1872	Janitor.

* Charge of book motors, evenings.

ROXBURY BRANCH.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Bell, Helen M.	1878	B. Special.
Berry, Martha L. C.	1883	C.
Puffer, Dorothy	1878	C.
Griggs, Sarah W.	1886	D.
Lynch, Gertrude A.	1894	D.
Monahan, William	1883	Janitor.

CHARLESTOWN BRANCH.

Cartée, Elizabeth F.	1886	B. Special.
Livermore, Mrs. Susan E.	1885	C.
Reagen, Elizabeth R.	1895	C.
Donovan, Annie M.	1899	D.
O'Neill, Margaret M.	1892	D.
Rogan, Katharine S.	1896	D.
Smith, Thomas E.	1874	Janitor.

BRIGHTON BRANCH.

Hobart, Martha N.	1896	B. Special.
Conley, Ellen F.	1891	C.
Dale, M. Florence	1895	C.
Warren, Edward A.	1898	Janitor.

DORCHESTER BRANCH.

Reed, Mrs. Elizabeth T.	1873	B. Special.
Griffith, Mary E.	1886	C.
Donovan, Mary G.	1891	C.
Brick, Mary L.	1899	D.
Kellogg, Grace E.	1898	D.
Davenport, Edward	1875	Janitor.

SOUTH END BRANCH.

Sheridan, Margaret A.	1875	B. Special.
McKirdy, Alice E.	1896	C.
Lynch, Emma F.	1885	C.
Meehan, Margaret F.	1893	D.
Mulloney, William J.	1892	D.

JAMAICA PLAIN BRANCH.

Swain, Mary P.	1877	B. Special.
Riley, Nellie F.	1878	C.
Albert, Katie F.	1892	C.
Kenney, Thomas W.	1897	Janitor.

WEST END BRANCH.

Davis, Mrs. Eliza R.	1877	B. Special.
Barton, Margaret S.	1885	C.
Forbes, George W.	1896	C.

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Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Kiley, Mary E.	1896	C.
Mooney, Katharine G.	1885	C.
Millmeister, Rebecca	1899	D.
Riley, Mary E.	1891	D.
Kelly, William D.	1898	D. Runner.
Sullivan, Daniel J.	1898	Janitor.

WEST ROXBURY BRANCH.

Morse, Carrie L.	1890	B.
Henderson, Irene E.	1898	E.
Woods, Eugene B.	1898	Janitor.

DELIVERY STATIONS.

Station.	Custodian.	Grade.
A. Lower Mills Reading-room	Hill, M. Addie	D. Special.
B. Roslindale Delivery Station	Davis, William W.	
C. West Roxbury Branch	See above.	
D. Mattapan Reading-room	Capewell, Mrs. Emma G.,	D. Special.
E. Neponset Delivery Station	Barnes, Charles D.	
F. Mt. Bowdoin Reading-room	Fairbrother, Mrs. Eliz. G.,	D. Special.
G. Allston Delivery Station	Howe, W. A. & Co.	
H. Ashmont Delivery Station	Weymouth, Clara E.	
J. Dorchester Sta. Delivery Sta.	Sexton, Mrs. Annie M.	
K. Bird-street Delivery Station	Morris, Antoinette.	
L. No. Brighton Reading-room	Muldoon, Katherine F.,	D. Special.
M. Crescent-ave. Delivery Station, Smith Brothers.		
N. Blue Hill-ave. Delivery Station, Riker, Mrs. S. A.		
P. B'way Extension Delivery Sta.,	{ Stewart, Cora L.	D. Special.
	{ Myers, Benjamin	D.
Q. Upham's Corner Delivery Sta.,	Roland, Ezra N.	
R. Warren-st. Delivery Station	Smith, H. De Forrest.	
S. Roxbury-Crossing Delivery Sta.,	Yeaton, E. Christine	D. Special.
T. Boylston Delivery Station	Locke, Joseph B.	
U. Ward 9 Delivery Station	McGrath, Amelia F.	C.
W. Industrial School Delivery Sta.,	Guerrier, Edith.	

EVENING AND SUNDAY SERVICE.

Central Library.

Bates Hall. — Officers in Charge: Samuel A. Chevalier, Otto Fleischner, Edward B. Hunt, Lindsay Swift. Assistants: William G. T. Roffe, William A. Walsh. Central Desk: Pierce E. Buckley, John H. Reardon, David L. Williams. Care of Reference Books: Frank J. Hannigan, Charles A. Hardy, Albert E. Heimann, Albert J. Plunkett. Collectors of Slips: Harold Clarke, John A. Pearson, Paul J. Schnabel. Runners: William McQuarrie, Frank T. Sullivan, John J. Sullivan.

Issue Department. — Officers in Charge: Frank C. Blaisdell, Pierce E. Buckley, Samuel A. Chevalier. Receiver of Books: Fred W. Blaisdell. Deliverers of Books: John F. Conners,

John A. Hughes, John H. Reardon. Care of Indicator: Walter T. Hannigan. Assistants at Indicator: Fred A. Beckford, Ulysses S. G. Currier, Louis W. Roett. Care of Slips: Daniel J. Ford, Albert E. Heimann, Otto A. Heimann. Desk Attendants: Daniel J. Ford, Frank J. Hannigan. Care of Tubes: Charles D. Campbell, John E. Gorman, John F. Lucid, Joseph A. Maier. Care of Carriers: Fred A. Beckford, John H. Glover, John F. Lucid, James A. Pitts. Book-case Attendants: Bergan A. Mackinnon, John A. Pearson, Louis W. Roett, Robert E. St. Louis. Runners: Charles W. Annable, Edwin F. A. Benson, Claude P. Brown, Richard Brown, Henry W. Buhler, Timothy J. Conners, Michael J. Conroy, Charles A. Doyle, Daniel J. Ford, John H. Glover, Charles A. Hardy, Albert E. Heimann, Lucius S. Hicks, Thomas F. Hughes, John F. Lucid, Joseph A. Lucid, Peter V. McFarland, Kenneth McKenzie, Joseph A. Maier, D. Clifford Martin, Matthew Muckensturm, Joseph A. Murphy, Morris J. Rosenberg, Nelson G. Trueman, Waldo W. Weller, Otto E. Zaugg. Juvenile Library Attendants: Belle S. Hall, Charlotte H. Kelly, Maud M. Morse, Marion L. Owen. Extra Attendants: Edwin F. A. Benson, Charles D. Campbell.

SPECIAL LIBRARIES. — *In charge of Barton Library:* Francis W. Lee, Edward Tiffany. Assistants: John L. McKiernan, William C. Maiers, James A. Pitts, Clyde Therrien. In Charge Fine Arts Department: Frank A. Bourne, William A. Walsh. Assistants: William C. Maiers, Arthur E. F. Smith, Joseph W. Ward. Extra Assistants: John H. Glover, John L. McKiernan, Robert Shawno, Waldo W. Weller.

Newspaper Room. — Thomas F. Brennan, George H. Connor, Albert J. Plunkett. Newspaper Files: Kenneth McKenzie, James L. Maguinness, Harry F. Mayer.

Patent Room. — Matthew T. Keenan, Frederic Serex.

Periodical Room. — John F. Conners, Albert J. Plunkett.

Registration Desk. — William E. Fallon, John J. Keenan.

Replacement of Books. — Edward F. Barry, Michael McCarthy, Jr.

SUNDAY SERVICE.

* *Branch Libraries. November 1 to May 1.*

Charlestown Branch, 2 to 10 P.M. — In Charge: Bergan A. Mackinnon, Joseph P. Teaffe. Janitor: Thomas Smith.

East Boston Branch, 2 to 10 P.M. — In Charge of Issue Desk: Edwin L. Drowne. In Charge of Reading-room: Alexander Miller. Janitor: Charles F. Taylor.

* With the exception of the West End Branch, which is open Sundays throughout the year; here, certain members of the regular week-day force serve Sundays, their compensation being for seven days per week.

South Boston Branch, 2 to 10 P.M. — In Charge: Alice B. Orcutt, Joseph Baker. Janitor: Thomas Saunders.

Station P, 2 to 6 P.M., 7 to 9 P.M. — In Charge: Irving Herr.

Station S, 2 to 6 P.M., 7 to 9 P.M. — In Charge: Joanna Zaugg.

APPENDIX XI.

GIVERS AND AMOUNTS OF GIFTS.

The following list of givers and amounts of gifts for the past year has been prepared by the Chief of the Ordering Department :

	1898-1899.	1899-1900.
Givers	1,946	2,392
Volumes	11,245	13,310
Numbers	15,560	18,682
Photographs, engravings, etc.	309	1,644
Newspaper subscriptions. (Gift of the publishers)	69	97

Among the gifts of the year the following may be especially mentioned :

From Miss Isabelle Batchelder, Cambridge, 21 volumes for the Galatea collection, including Ségur's *Les femmes, leur condition et leur influence dans l'ordre social*, in 3 volumes.

From Miss Helen Blackburn, London, England, 46 volumes on the Rights and duties of women. For the Galatea collection.

From the estate of the late George W. Bond, 165 volumes and 88 pamphlets, treating of sheep, wool and allied subjects.

From the Boston Browning society, 27 volumes, for the Browning collection.

From the Boston City hospital, 109 volumes and 3 pamphlets.

From the Boston Young Men's Christian Association, 57 volumes; among them 23 writings on university extension.

From Miss Olivia Y. Bowditch, the electrotype plates used in Nathaniel Bowditch's translation of *La Place's Mécanique Céleste*, published in Boston, 1829-39, in 4 volumes.

From Charles P. Bowditch, his work in collaboration with Harrison Ellery, on the Pickering genealogy, in 3 volumes, privately printed, 1897; also Additions to his Genealogy of the descendants of John and Sarah Burwell Pickering of Salem.

From the British Museum, 11 volumes, including the catalogue of music accessions, Pts. 1-10, etc., 1899.

From Allen A. Brown, 533 volumes, of which 315 were for the Music collection, and included the engraved full score of Bizet's *Carmen*. This score was purchased recently by Mr. Brown in Vienna at a cost of 400 marks.

From the Compagnie Nouvelle du Canal de Panama, through M. X. Boyard, New York City, Compagnie Nouvelle du Canal

de Panama, notes techniques, Texte et atlas; Rapport présenté au Conseil d'administration, etc., 1899; Rapport de la Commission, Paris, 1899.

From the Right Hon. Earl Cowper, through Mr. Henry White of the American Embassy, *Cartularium Monasterii Sancti Johannis Baptiste de Colecestria*, from the original manuscript in the possession of Earl Cowper, who had this book printed for the Roxburghe Club, 2 volumes, London, 1897.

From Rev. Francis X. Dolan and Rev. Thomas J. McCormack, 79 volumes for Station U.

From Edgar Conway Felton, President of the Pennsylvania Steel Works at Steelton, Pa., a volume entitled *Reason why, not anabaptist plunging but infant-believer's baptism ought to be approved*, by Joseph Low (Boston, 1710). This book was once in the Prince Library.

From George B. Dorr, 62 volumes, including Lanzi's *Storia pittorica della Italia*, in 6 volumes.

From James W. Dunphy, the sum of \$137.74, with which were purchased one hundred volumes of Roman Catholic literature.

From Charles W. Folsom, Cambridge, 22 volumes, chiefly military works, for the collection of the Twentieth Regiment Association, M.V.I.

From Francis J. Garrison, *The Perfectionist*, Vols. 1 and 2, 1834-5; *Cradle of liberty*, Vol. 1, 1839-40; *Non-Resistant*, Vol. 1, 1839. (These volumes are of great rarity.)

From the family of the late William Lloyd Garrison, 303 volumes, chiefly on anti-slavery, 11 packages of letters (manuscripts); the Records of the New England Anti-slavery society, founded in Boston, 1832, in manuscript; weekly contribution box of the American Anti-slavery society; editorial in type of the Emancipation proclamation; medals; daguerreotypes of abolitionists.

From the Patent Office of Germany, 6,254 numbers of the *Patentschriften*.

From the Commissioner of Patents of Great Britain, 289 volumes of British patents.

From Henry Copley Greene, the Works of Balzac, in 18 volumes.

From the estate of the late William W. Greenough, through Charles P. Greenough, executor, 195 volumes, 22 maps, 207 miscellaneous pamphlets and 46 numbers of periodicals. These include his *Annals*, in manuscript, of the Boston Public Library from its inception to 1891, and reports, minutes, etc., of meetings of the Trustees and Superintendent from 1858-1865, in manuscript. Also many Library reports, catalogues, bulletins, etc., some of which contain manuscript notes by Mr. Greenough. A framed portrait of Mr. Greenough accompanied the gift.

From Rev. Edward H. Hall, Brookline, 458 volumes of theological and educational works.

From Augustus Hemenway, 46 mounted photographs in two

volumes, illustrating the Rise and progress of Greek and Roman art. (Bought with Mr. Hemenway's gift of \$200.)

From Col. Thomas Wentworth Higginson, 137 volumes for the Galatea collection.

From Godfrey Michael Hyams, 3,539 volumes, bought at the Montaignon sale with the sum of \$1,000, given expressly for this purpose. The selection and purchase were made by the Library, and consisted of works on the fine arts. Among these books were La Collection Spitzer, Antiquité, Moyen-Age, Renaissance, 338 plates, principally in colors, heliogravures and 800 wood-cuts in the text, 6 volumes, folio; *Ausgewählte Kunstwerke aus dem Schatze der Reichen Capelle in der Königlichen Residenz zu München*, 40 large lithographic plates in gold and colors, folio, München, 1874; Beaumont, Ed. de. *L'Épée et les Femmes, Cinq dessins de Meissonier*, Paris, 1881 (100 copies printed); *Oeuvres de Bernard Palissy, revues sur les exemplaires de la Bibliothèque du roi, avec des notes, par Faujas de Saint Fond et Gobet*, Paris, 1777; also 235 volumes relating to the Paris Salon.

From the Secretary of State for India, The plague in India, 1896 and 1897, compiled by R. Nathan, Simla, in 4 volumes.

From William F. Jackson, Concord, Mass., 28 parcels of theatre and concert programmes of the old National Theatre, Globe Theatre, Boston Theatre and Museum, etc.

From Dr. B. Joy Jeffries, 432 volumes, largely on medical subjects.

From Mrs. Adolph Kielblock, 176 volumes relating to music, and including Schumann's *Fantasiestücke für das Pianoforte*, and the *Allgemeine Musikalische Zeitung* in 18 volumes.

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APPENDIX XII.

NEEDS OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

During the past year attention has been called to the need of increased endowments for the Boston Public Library. Two editorials from Boston newspapers are here reprinted :

“Bostonians are proverbially generous in supporting their great public institutions. For this reason our city stands foremost as a centre of learning, education and art. A simple statement of the fact that one of these institutions stands greatly in need of funds to carry on its work in the degree that its rank demands should, therefore, be sufficient to call forth a commensurate response. There seems to be a general impression that our Public Library is amply provided by endowment and annual appropriations with the means to assure its due development along any lines of usefulness that it has to follow. This impression is doubtless due to the gifts continually made by numerous benefactors, testifying to a more widespread interest in its welfare than is shown for any other public institution. The gifts, however, consist mainly of books and other additions to its collections, many of them of great value. In gifts of money the Public Library is the least favored of all the great institutions of learning, art, and education in the New England metropolis. The total of the endowments received since the foundation of the library, nearly a half-century ago, amounts to only \$270,000. Of that sum only the income of \$220,000 is available for the purchase of books. And, with the decreased earning power of money, this income is steadily diminishing.

“Such an endowment is small in comparison with the amounts heaped upon Harvard University, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and the Museum of Fine Arts in the same period. In importance, magnitude, and value of its work, the Public Library holds a rank that places it on a par with a great university. It stands as the foremost institution of its kind in the world. It is not only essential to its own well-being, but to the interests of Boston as a city, that this rank should be maintained. But, unfortunately, the library is so hampered by the lack of funds for the purpose, that, on its scholarly side, it is relatively losing rank. Now that attention is called to this condition in the annual report of the library trustees, just out, Boston public spirit should not allow this loss to continue.

“Many of our men of wealth are in the habit of looking about them to see what public institutions may best become objects for

beneficence in the way either of bequests or of gifts while living. It cannot be said to be exactly a fashion in the way of bequests, but there is a sort of routine commonly followed in such matters, so that benefactions of the kind are apt to be apportioned among certain groups of institutions. For a long time the Institute of Technology was overlooked, but it has now become well established as an object of generosity. Until recently the Museum of Fine Arts was comparatively poor in endowments, but it is now one of the richest of our institutions. There is no reason why the Public Library should not be given a place in the same list.

"An institution of the kind necessarily must grow, and it must develop in manifold directions. The Museum of Fine Arts, by reason of the funds at its command, has become the leading institution of its kind in the world, in respect to certain of its departments. And lately it has been enabled to appear in the art markets of Europe in competition with the greatest museums of the old world, making in the past year or so the most important acquisitions in the way of classical antiquities anywhere achieved. In the same way, if adequately endowed, the Public Library might appear in the world's book markets and take its pick of the literary treasures that are constantly appearing on sale — treasures the possession of which are essential to the scholarly rank of the institution. It should be remembered that the scholarly rank of the library is one of the important factors that make Boston a favorite among American cities for the most desirable class of persons seeking an attractive place of residence.

"The prosperity of various leading public institutions has been actively enhanced by the practice, on the part of their friends, of 'passing around the hat' to obtain needed funds. It might be a good idea for influential friends of the Public Library to take organized action in a similar way."—*From The Boston Herald of August 10, 1899.*

"It is beginning to be asked by those entrusted with directing the upward career of the Boston Public Library whether something cannot be done to get more money for buying new books. The number and size of the cash gifts to the institution since the new building went into use has been so inconsiderable, especially from our own citizens, that we wonder if there is not some public misapprehension as to the financial situation. Can it be that Boston people have been misled by appearances to suppose that because the library lives in a fine house it has a large income?

"It is farthest from the thoughts of any one concerned for the library to belittle the benefactions which have descended upon it so generously and faithfully during these five years from friends who have known its needs. Again and again upon the records, often anonymously, stand presents of books, manuscripts, cash for books, cash for photographs, and such like contributions, made at times when the representative of the institution was

obliged to go out begging for a little money that the library might hold up its head among endowed competitors in auction sales. These are the friends of the library when it has no other private friends, and it would be graceless thanks indeed to ignore or depreciate what they are doing. But the mere fact that it is found necessary to call upon such precarious sources of revenue to keep the collection even respectably near the forefront shows how wretchedly poor the establishment is.

"If anybody supposes the trustees have no other official care but to sit in their luxurious room and count money, he would better read the history of the new building. It was put up wholly by appropriation of the city. After it was nominally finished, it was found that some changes had to be made, and the city went into its pocket again. There was no endowment fund that might be drawn upon.

"Nor has the city made any attempt or any pretense of doing more than pay running expenses and buy the more popular books of which the library has made a specialty. The income from trust funds which can be spent for books is only \$9,000, which is steadily decreasing, as the city of Boston bonds in which these funds are invested are replaced with bonds bearing a lower rate of interest, and last year the miscellaneous cash gifts already mentioned amounted to only about \$4,000 more. It is out of \$13,000 per annum that the librarian is expected to maintain his collection in its traditional position as a great storehouse containing all the important books there are. Is he doing it?

"Mr. Herbert Putnam, in his report submitted after retiring from the librarianship, said he was not. He wrote: 'On the popular side the library is developing nominally. On the scholarly side it is not developing in proper proportion. On this side the library is relatively losing rank. It will not, cannot, regain this rank, until the citizens of Boston come to its aid with further endowment.'

"How does the library stand among libraries in this matter? Philadelphia spends this year \$51,000 for books. Buffalo, with a population probably less than 300,000, spends \$20,000. Detroit and Cleveland, with still less population, spend \$8,000 to \$10,000, quite out of proportion to our own estimate, while little Minneapolis, with perhaps 175,000 people, spends this year \$12,350 in books for its public library. Not one of these cities, excepting Philadelphia, approaches Boston either in population or in wealth and business solidity. Is it possible that when our men of means are made aware of the humiliating position into which our once proudly boasted 'greatest' library seems in danger of falling, they will long permit the catalogue to show gap after gap in the realms of science, history, art and literature?" — *From the Boston Daily Advertiser of November 20, 1899.*

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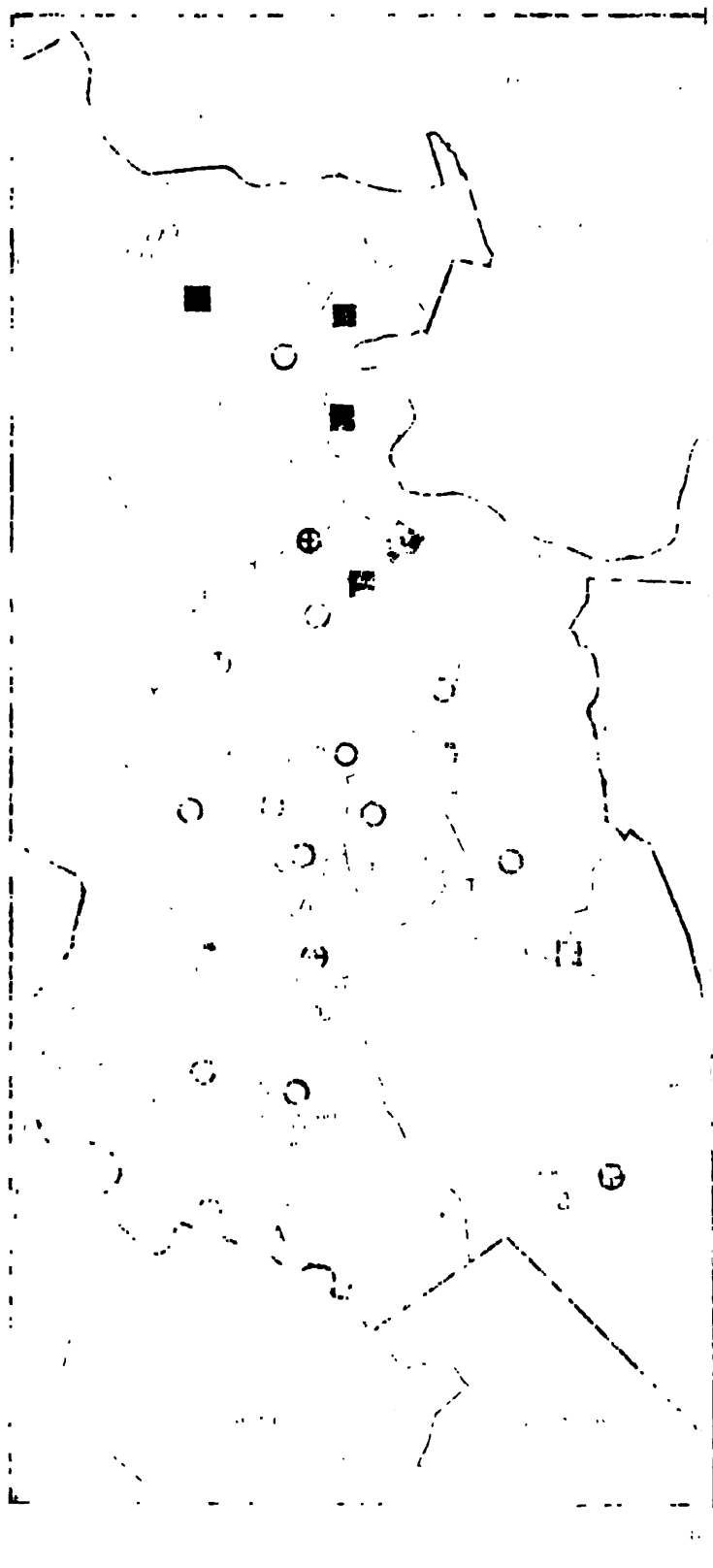
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DEPARTMENTS.	Opened.	Volumes, Jan. 31, 1901.	Home use, Volumes, 1900-1901.
Central Library, Copley sq. Established May 2, 1854...	Mar. 11, 1896	612,796	431,657
‡ East Boston Branch, 37 Meridian st.....	Jan. 28, 1871	12,064	64,461
§ South Boston Branch, 372 Broadway.....	May 1, 1872	14,354	75,294
§§ Roxbury Branch, 46 Millmont st.....	July, 1873	34,171	88,622
‡ Charlestown Branch, City sq.....	*Jan., 1874	28,785	43,706
† Brighton Branch, Rockland st.....	*Jan., 1874	14,492	42,800
‡ Dorchester Branch, Arcadia, cor. Adams st.....	Jan. 25, 1875	16,512	52,021
‡ South End Branch, English High School Building, Montgomery st.....	Aug., 1877	12,816	87,604
‡ Jamaica Plain Branch, Curtis Hall, Centre st.....	Sept., 1877	12,992	50,758
‡ West Roxbury Branch, Centre, near Mt. Vernon st....	*Jan. 6, 1880	4,385	24,056
† West End Branch, Cambridge, cor. Lynde st.....	Feb. 1, 1886	12,044	131,582
Station A. Lower Mills Reading Room, Washington st.	June 7, 1875	87	5,427
" B. Roslindale Reading Room, Washington, cor. Ashland st.....	Dec. 3, 1878	1,524	16,688
D. Mattapan Reading Room, River, cor. Oak- land st.....	Dec. 27, 1881	98	4,768
" E. Neponset Delivery Station, 49 Walnut st....	Jan. 1, 1883	.....	6,490
" F. Mt. Bowdoin Reading Room, Washington, cor. Eldon st.....	Nov. 1, 1886	987	11,668
" G. Allston Delivery Station, 14 Franklin st....	Mar. 11, 1889	.....	9,391
" H. Ashmont Delivery Station, 4 Talbot ave....	July 26, 1890	.....	8,786
" J. Dorchester Station Delivery Station, 157 Norfolk st.....	Nov. 12, 1890	.....	10,143
" K. Bird Street Delivery Station, 6 Wayland st.	Jan. 22, 1892	.....	5,840
" L. North Brighton Reading Room, 56 Mar- ket st.....	May 9, 1892	75	5,125
" M. Crescent Avenue Delivery Station, 1002 Dorchester ave.....	June 25, 1892	.....	9,454
" N. Mt. Pleasant Delivery Station, Dudley, cor. Magazine st.....	Apr. 29, 1892	.....	12,083
" P. Broadway Extension Delivery Station, 13 Broadway Extension	Jan. 16, 1896	2,049	26,449
" Q. Upham's Corner Delivery Station, 752 Dud- ley st....	Mar. 16, 1896	.....	16,069
" R. Warren Street Delivery Station, 329 War- ren st.,.....	May 1, 1896	.....	12,398
" S. Roxbury Crossing Delivery Station, 1154 Tremont st.....	Jan. 18, 1897	208	14,382
" T. Boylston Delivery Station, Lamartine, cor. Paul Gore st.....	Nov. 1, 1897	.....	11,199
" U. Ward Nine Delivery Station, 62 Union Park st.....	Dec. 27, 1898	196	17,039
" W. Industrial School Delivery Station, 39 North Bennet st.....	Nov. 3, 1899	4,516
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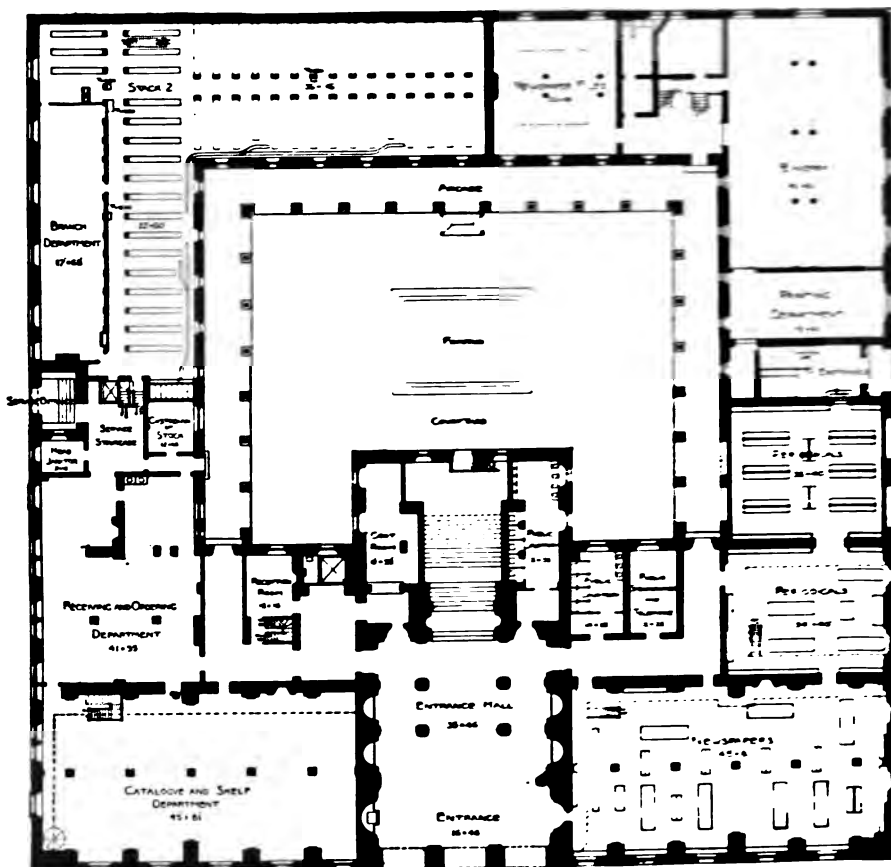
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† In City buildings, in part devoted to other municipal uses.

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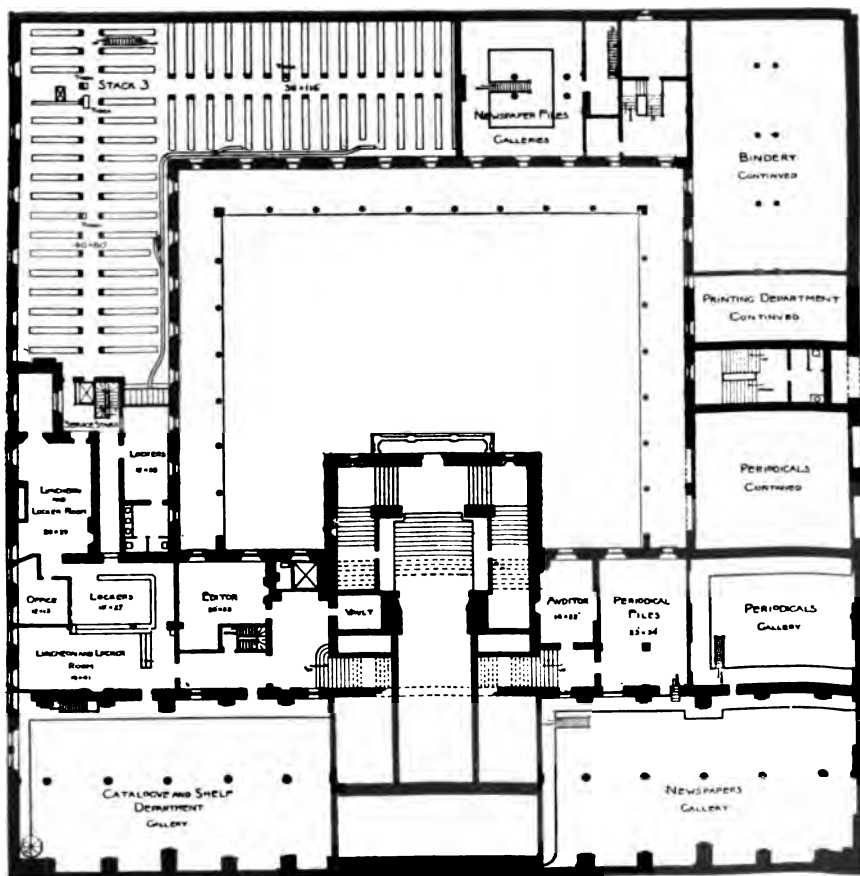
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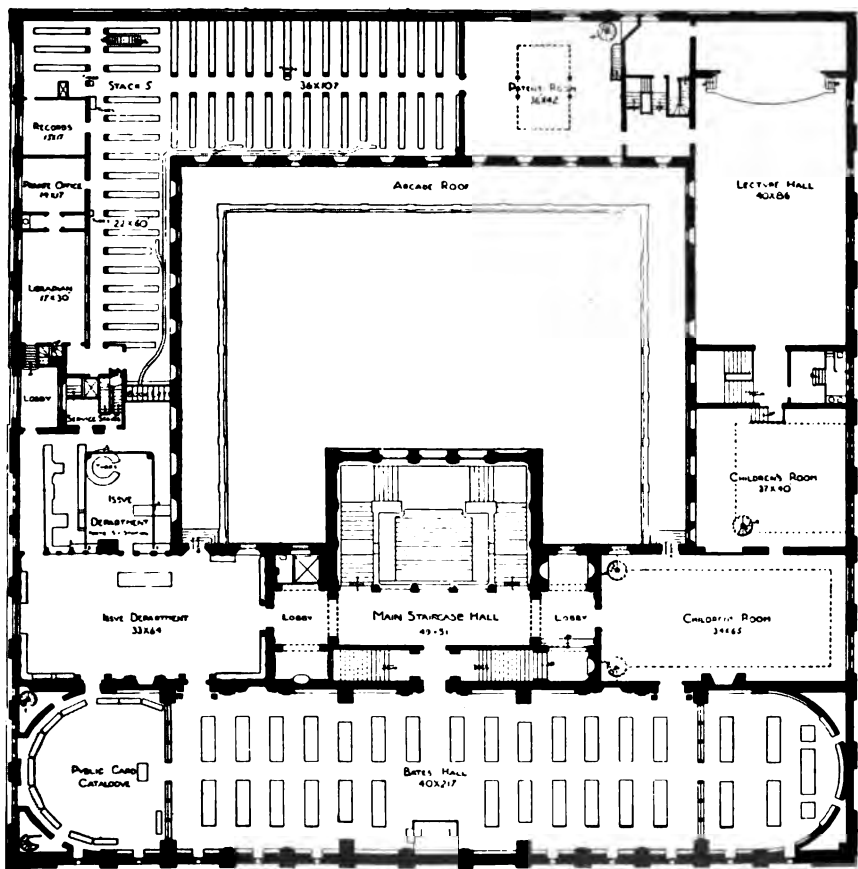
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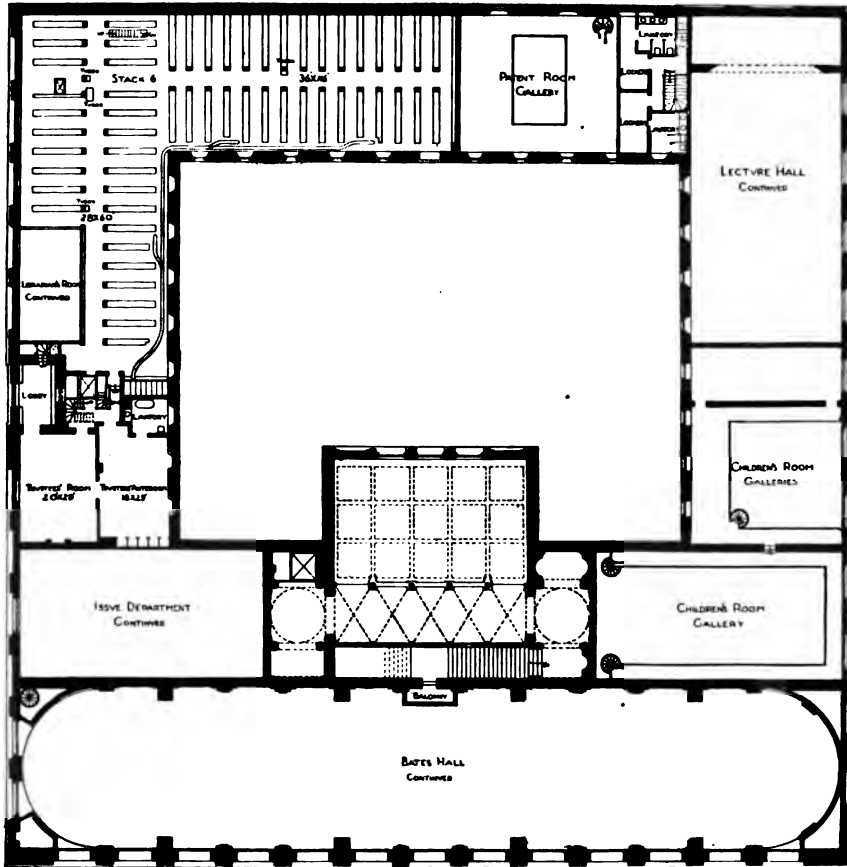


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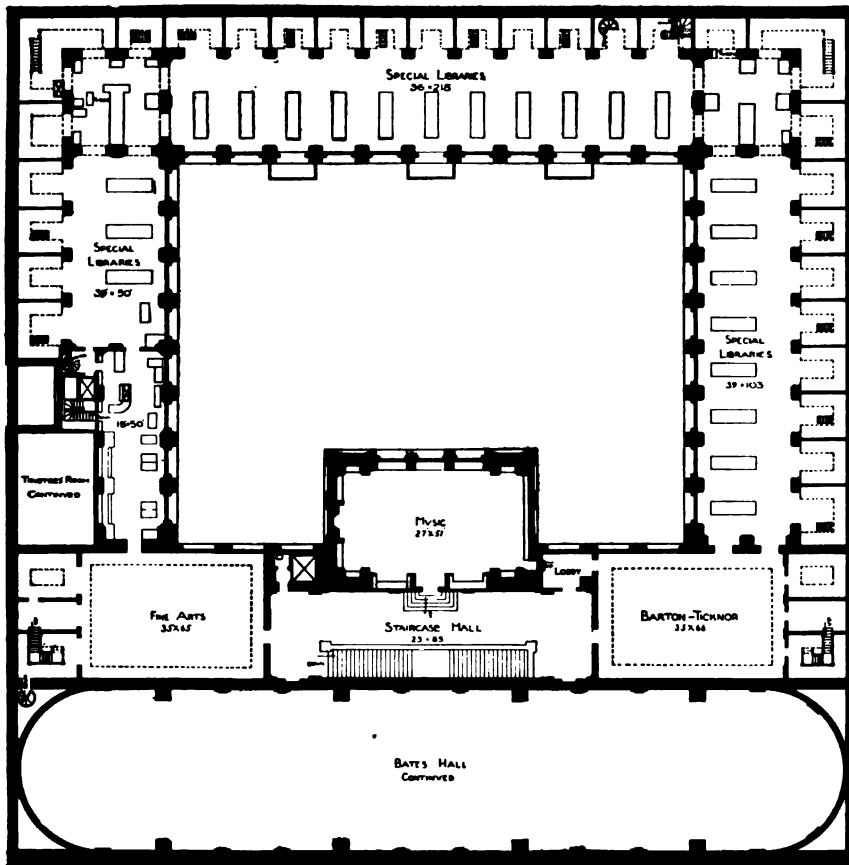


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CENTRAL LIBRARY, ENTRESOL B.



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TO HIS HONOR THOMAS N. HART,

Mayor of the City of Boston :

The Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston present the following report of its condition for the year ending January 31, 1901. It is the forty-ninth annual report.

The Rev. Dr. James DeNormandie was reappointed a Trustee, to serve for five years from May 1, 1900. The board was organized in May, 1900, by the election of Mr. Lincoln as President and Dr. DeNormandie as Vice President. Miss Della Jean Deery was elected Clerk of the Corporation.

The history of the Library for the past year is as usual one of constant growth and expansion, of its agencies for the delivery of books, of the number of its books and manuscripts and of their use. It now maintains eighty-seven agencies, an increase of fifteen over the number existing on January 31, 1900. Notwithstanding this large increase, applications for more branch libraries and delivery stations are continually presented to the Trustees, many, if not all, of which are meritorious. It needs scarcely to be pointed out, however, that the means at the command of the Trustees are not sufficient for any important expansion of the system, nor are means for such expansion included in the yearly estimates of the Trustees, which provide for the maintenance of the system as it exists. If additional reading rooms, deposit or delivery stations are needed, additional means to establish such must be furnished, and these again, when established, demand additional appropriations for their maintenance.

The need of new buildings for the branch libraries at Charlestown and East Boston has often been stated and it becomes daily more pressing. The sum of \$30,000 has been appropriated by the City to provide a branch library at Charlestown, but no suitable site has yet been found.

The following tables exhibit briefly the financial condition of the Library:

EXPENDITURES.

For salaries	\$179,438 25	
Books and photographs	35,287 39	
Periodicals	5,602 79	
Newspapers	2,108 30	
General maintenance	86,749 61	
	<hr/>	\$309,186 34

RECEIPTS.

City appropriation	\$290,766 10	
Income from Trust funds	14,648 26	
Miscellaneous sources: gifts, including cash on deposit in London, etc., etc.	3,771 98	
	<hr/>	\$309,186 34

The number of volumes in the Library has been increased during the past year by 37,179, in part by purchase and in part by gifts; and the whole number of volumes in the Library on January 31, 1901, was 781,377.

There was expended for books, periodicals and newspapers during the year the sum of \$42,998.48, an amount larger than usual, but including some exceptionally large expenditures, as, for instance, for Charlestown and Roslindale. The constant growth of the branch stations necessitates additional expenditure.

The books taken from the Library for home use during the year ending January 31, 1900, numbered 1,251,541,—during the year ending January 31, 1901, the number was 1,324,728, showing an increase of 73,187. It is impossible to keep an account of the number of books used in the Library building, since many are exposed to unrestricted use.

The Department of Manuscripts, organized during the preceding year, has received very considerable accessions of much value, largely from gifts, the most notable being the bequest of Judge Chamberlain's manuscripts and autographs, which, since his death, have come into the final possession of the Library. A brief description of these, in pamphlet form, was published by the Trustees in 1897. This department is made the subject of a special report by Mr. Ford, who has it in charge. His report is incorporated with that of the Librarian. The manuscripts purchased have been chiefly provided from the income of trust funds. The Trustees have in view especially the acquisition of manuscripts of local interest to the City, and some of them have been reprinted in the Monthly Bulletin of the Library.

The Statistical Department, also under the charge of Mr. Ford, has been largely increased, both by the withdrawal of books from the general Library, which find a more appropriate place in this department, and especially by considerable gifts of public documents from states and municipalities, including many received from foreign sources. The department has fully justified its existence and furnishes much assistance to the student of the complex problems of government and public administration which develop on every side.

Of the Cataloguing Department it is enough to say that it continually gains in the race toward completion, though, from the nature of the subject, it can never keep quite abreast of the constant accessions of books.

The constant growth in the use of the Library is especially noticeable in the increase of the branch libraries and other subordinate stations and in the increase in the use of the books there accessible. These branches are a most important part of the Library system, and bring its advantages near to those to whom it would otherwise prove practically inaccessible.

The officers of the Library constantly employ all reasonable means to make its resources available.

Exhibitions of photographs and engravings, constantly renewed and changed, and having reference to subjects of immediate interest, are maintained at the Central Library and branches.

The Library coöperates with the public schools by selecting and collecting books relating to subjects immediately under instruction.

The Trustees have also endeavored to interest the public in a series of lectures — this year upon municipal govern-

ment, given in the Lecture Room of the Library. The lectures are given gratuitously by the lecturers.

The Trustees call attention again to the fact that, while they publish much matter relating to the Library which is of public interest and distinctly valuable, yet all such publications entail upon them a loss. The Library bears the expense of the publication, and the proceeds of all sales go directly to the City Treasury, without benefit to the Library. In like manner the Library bears the expense of collecting fines while the fines collected are paid into the City Treasury, but not to the credit of the Library. It seems reasonable that moneys thus obtained, amounting to a profit of several thousand dollars to the City, should be applied to the benefit of the source from which they are derived. Fines represent largely injury to books, and the money thus derived should be available to replace this loss. The Examining Committee concur in this opinion.

This matter is again called to the attention of the City Government because a special appropriation for rebinding volumes is again needed. Last year the Trustees received an appropriation of \$10,000 for this purpose, and a like or greater sum is needed for this year and next. For several years it has proved impossible to provide all the rebinding needed from the annual appropriation, and the ordinary wear of the books was increased when they were removed to the new Library and were rearranged.

The Trustees gratefully acknowledge the assistance rendered by the Examining Committee of this year. It was constituted as follows :

William F. Apthorp.
Thomas M. Babson.
Mrs. Mary E. Blake.
Alfred Bowditch.
Francis H. Brown, M.D.
Very Rev. William Byrne.
John H. Colby.
Mrs. W. C. Collar.
James C. Davis.
Charles F. Donnelly.
James W. Dunphy.
Hon. J. D. Fallon.
Thomas J. Gargan.
Rev. G. A. Gordon, D.D.
Francis L. Higginson.
Rev. E. A. Horton.

Miss Sarah Orne Jewett.
Rev. Robert F. Johnson.
Frank S. Mason.
John Noble.
William L. Parker.
George Putnam.
Henry R. Reed.
Rev. W. D. Roberts.
Mrs. H. H. Sprague.
Miss Frances Turner.
D. B. Updike.
Horace G. Wadlin.
Mrs. Darwin E. Ware.
Samuel Wells.
Miss Maria E. Wood.

More than ordinary care appears to have been taken in the selection of the sub-committees and the recommendations of the Committee deserve and have received careful attention.

It appears that the Library can always rely on the generous and cheerful assistance of the best citizens whenever they are asked to render it service.

Gifts of books and manuscripts to the Library have been more numerous than heretofore, although, with the exception of the Chamberlain bequest, no single collection of great value has been added during the period covered by this report.

A bronze relief of Gen. Francis A. Walker has been placed in the inner court. The Elliott decorative ceiling of the room adjacent to the Children's Room was completed since February 1, and will be referred to in the next report.

The Trustees would welcome bequests of money, and hope that generous testators may remember the Library. It is from such sources that they can make purchases of rare works, which give value and rank to a great library, but for which they hesitate to expend public funds appropriated for more popular use.

The Trustees ask especial attention to the report of the Librarian, the subordinate reports, and that of the Examining Committee. These contain matter both of general interest and of detail which do not find appropriate place in this general report.

SOLOMON LINCOLN,
President.

JAMES DE NORMANDIE,
Vice President.

JOSIAH H. BENTON, JR.,
HENRY P. BOWDITCH,
THOMAS DWIGHT.

MAY 3, 1901.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Board of Trustees:

The report of the Librarian for the year ending January 31, 1901, is respectfully submitted.

THE LIBRARY SYSTEM.

The Library System comprises:

The Central Library, on Copley Square.

Ten branch libraries, with permanent collections of books.

Twenty delivery stations, of which seven are reading rooms, four service stations and nine shop stations.

Twenty-nine engine houses, receiving books on deposit.

Twenty-one schools (eleven supplied from the Central Library and ten from the branches).

Six institutions receiving deposits of books.

A total of eighty-seven agencies, as against seventy-two on February 1, 1900.

FINANCE.

Details as to the receipts and payments for the year are given in the statement of the Auditor (Appendix I. of this report).

The financial condition of the Library for 1900-1901, briefly exhibited, is as follows:

ENDOWMENTS.

Endowments	\$226,150 00
Income	9,723 50
Todd newspaper fund	50,000 00
Income	2,000 00

The only addition to the endowments of the Library the past year has been the sum of \$6,000, received June 25, 1900, in a legacy of the late Daniel Sharp Ford, publisher of the "Youth's Companion." By a vote of the Trustees, the income, until otherwise ordered, will be devoted to the purchase of books adapted to youth.

The will of the late Abram E. Cutter of Charlestown gives and bequeaths to the Library the sum of \$4,000. Also

his library of books, subject to a life interest for his widow. This will was probated June 7, 1900.

GROSS INCOME AND EXPENDITURE.

Gross Income.—The gross income of the Library from all sources, including balances February 1, 1900, except special appropriations, was as follows:

General appropriation	\$290,766 10
Trust funds:	
Income in the hands of the City Treasurer	17,847 39
Miscellaneous gifts	578 03
Exchange account	1,853 75
Interest on bank deposit	1,739 78
London accounts:	
Trust funds	\$10,579 13
General book funds	11,033 97
Interest on the above	455 09
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	22,068 19
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	<u>\$334,853 24</u>

<i>Expenditure.</i> —From general income	\$290,766 10
From trust funds income (including Todd Fund)	14,648 26
From general book fund	3,467 22
From miscellaneous gifts	304 76
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	<u>\$309,186 34</u>

A nominal balance on February 1, 1901, would appear as \$25,666.90. This is, however, subject to outstanding obligations and in part to special restrictions. The available balance is but \$13,860.06, made up as follows:

Applicable to books, as follows:

Trust funds income: nominal balance	\$14,040 74	
Less outstanding orders and necessary reserve for continuations	9,838 25	
	<hr/>	\$4,202 49
General book funds	\$7,759 36	
Less outstanding orders	1,968 59	
	<hr/>	5,790 77
Exchange account	1,853 75	
Interest: domestic account	1,739 78	
Cash donations: balances on hand	273 27	
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It is to be observed further that the bulk of the above available balance is composed of funds applicable only to the purchase of books, and to a great extent of funds which must be reserved for the purchase of books of a very special character.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Building Appropriation. — Copley square building; balance February 1, 1900 \$85,434 70
Expenditures, 1900-1901 8,606 76

Balance \$76,827 94
Against which are contracts, for paintings, statuary, etc., amounting to 80,975 00

Indicating a deficit of \$4,147 06

to be met by application of the balance of the Furnishing appropriation so far as necessary.

Furnishing Appropriation. — Copley square building; balance February 1, 1901 \$4,821 81

Broadway Extension Improvement Appropriation. — Balance February 1, 1900 \$3,010 92
Expenditures, 1900-1901 435 23
\$2,575 69

BUILDINGS, EQUIPMENT, AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION.

Extensive repairs upon the Library building have been found necessary. The tile roof has been put in order and all the joints have been newly cemented. The joints in the walls have been repointed. The court-yard walls in the basement have been made water-tight. The iron work outside the building has been put in order. The public lavatories have been moved from the front to the rear of the building. The engines and electrical machinery call for considerable expenditure yearly for repairs. These and the elevators are inspected by experts at stated intervals.

WORKS OF ART.

The John Elliott Decoration. — In the year 1891 a letter was received by the Board of Trustees from Dr. Harold Williams, offering to raise a sum of money for the purpose of engaging Mr. John Elliott to decorate the ceiling of one

of the rooms in the new Library building. This offer was accepted and, at a later time, Mr. Elliott's services were secured for the proposed decoration.

In the autumn of 1900 the finished work was received by the Library, and, after suitable frames had been prepared, the decoration was made public, on March 17, 1901. The Library is indebted to the following persons for the gift of these ceiling paintings and for a contribution of \$900 towards the expense of the frames: Miss Anna S. Amory, Mr. and Mrs. Larz Anderson, Miss Edith Andrew, Mr. and Mrs. Albert S. Bigelow, Mr. G. N. Black, Mrs. A. W. Blake, Mr. Stephen Bullard, Mrs. James B. Case, Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Curtis, Mrs. O. B. Frothingham, Mrs. John L. Gardner, Miss Marion Gray, Mr. Joseph C. Hoppin, Mr. Henry M. Howe, Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, Mr. and Mrs. David P. Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Loring, Mr. George H. Norman, Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Sargent, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sears, Mrs. G. H. Shaw, Mrs. W. H. Slocum, Mr. George Wales, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel D. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. Barrett Wendell, Dr. and Mrs. Harold Williams, Mr. Ralph B. Williams, and an anonymous subscriber. An allowance of \$1,000 for the frames was authorized by the City authorities.

A portrait of the Rev. Dr. James Freeman Clarke, painted by Edwin T. Billings, has been given to the Library by members of the Church of the Disciples, and others, through William Howell Reed.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

The following statements in regard to the accessions to the Library for the past year are taken from the report of Miss Macurdy, Chief of the Ordering and Receiving Department. These additions, as distinguished from the number of books which have actually reached the shelves (34,994), and excluding mere transfers from one department to another, number 37,179 volumes, as against 30,506 in the previous year. They are distributed as follows:

	Central Library Volumes.	Branches, Volumes.	Total Volumes.
Added by purchase	13,068	11,069	24,127
Added by gift	7,657	239	7,896
Added by exchange for Library publications, etc.	672	—	672
Added by periodicals, bound	2,200	—	2,200
Added by Statistical Department (Gifts)	2,284	—	2,284
Total	25,881	11,298	37,179

The number of volumes in the Library January 31, 1901, was 781,377.

Books bought for the Central Library:

	Volumes.
City appropriation	9,680
Trust funds	3,368
	<u>13,068</u>

Books bought for the branches:

City appropriation	9,696
Special appropriation	344
Fellowes Athenæum	1,019
	<u>11,059</u>
Total	24,127

The expenditure for books, periodicals and newspapers for the same period was \$42,998.48, as against \$33,048.97 the previous year. This does not include the following sums, namely, \$1,141.49 paid by the Fellowes Athenæum for books and periodicals purchased for the Roxbury Branch, and \$435.23 from a special appropriation for Station P.

The payments have been as follows:

City money expended for books:		1899-1900.
	1900-1901.	
For Central Library (including deposit collection)	\$18,187 70	\$10,401 71
For branches	9,254 97	4,488 92
	<u>\$22,442 67</u>	<u>\$14,890 63</u>
Trust funds expended for books	12,539 96	10,867 39
	<u>\$34,982 63</u>	<u>\$25,258 02</u>
Trust funds expended for news- papers	2,108 30	1,970 38
	<u>\$37,090 93</u>	<u>\$27,228 40</u>
City money expended for periodicals:		
For Central Library	\$3,998 29	\$4,365 30
For branches	1,604 50	1,455 27
	<u>\$5,602 79</u>	<u>\$5,820 57</u>
	<u>\$42,693 72</u>	<u>\$33,048 97</u>
Total:		
City money	\$28,045 46	
Trust funds	14,648 26	
	<u>\$42,693 72</u>	

In addition to this amount purchases were made from the following special funds (gifts):

Carnegie	\$86 14
Numismatic	88 97
Lewis	80 45
Hyams	28 74
Dunphy	3 46
Old South Society	15 00
Whiting	2 00
	<u>\$304 76</u>

The total amount spent for books, including the amounts paid by the Fellowes Athenæum and from the Station P fund mentioned above, for the year was \$44,575.20. Only twice in the history of the Library has this expenditure been equalled, once, in 1878, when the Barton library was bought, and again, in 1890, when purchases were made from the sale of the library of S. L. M. Barlow, the outlay in each case (about \$46,000) being met by funds especially provided for the purpose.

Among the large payments were \$1,480.60 for books for the Charlestown Branch; \$1,500 for books for the new Roslindale Reading Room; \$400 for books for the new Andrew Square Reading Room; and \$800 for books of reference for the branches. Of works of fiction 6,473 volumes were bought, at an expense of \$5,867.48. For the branch system the expenditure for books was about double that of the preceding year.

In the purchases made from Trust funds, broadsides, manuscripts and autograph documents have a prominent place. These are of both local and general interest, and relate to Colonial and Revolutionary events, and to Boston, Massachusetts, and New England history. Among purchases of special significance are an autograph letter of Captain Ezra Selden to Nathan Hale, the patriot, dated Roxbury Camp, June 25, 1775, and endorsed in Hale's handwriting; account books and letters relating to the Boston fires of 1760 and 1767, and to the losses and damages sustained by the Town of Boston from the British, 1775-1776; and twenty-three consecutive numbers of the Boston Gazette and Country Journal, 1762-3. Other manuscripts and documents are mentioned under Manuscripts later in this report.

For the special collections the following are among the additions made:

Bowditch Library. — Two hundred volumes of French and German mathematical and astronomical works.

Military Library (Twentieth regiment). — Eighty-seven volumes of regimental histories, etc.

Longfellow Memorial Collection. — Two hundred and fifty volumes have been bought from the income of the Artz fund, including the first edition of Philip Freneau's Poems (1786), Whittier's Mogg Megone, first edition (1836), Aldrich's Bells (1855), Col. Thomas Forrest's The Disappointment (1767), Tennyson's Poems (1842).

Fine Arts Collection. — The Library has received a copy of Tissot's La vie de Notre Seigneur Jésus Christ, in two

volumes, folio, a fine copy, together with the cheaper English edition of the same work, for general use. Also the following important works: Furtwängler's *Die antiken Gemmen*; *Chefs-d'oeuvre d'art de la Hongrie*; Berling's *Das Meissner Porzellan*; and Rossi's *Mosaici cristiani*. The photographs added include 100 platinum prints of Normandy and Brittany and 1,100 photographs of Italy and Spain.

Maps.—To the Map Collection have been added 141 eighteenth century maps, chiefly of America, and numerous wall maps of Boston and vicinity, recently published for the use of the City and State officials. Also the *Theatrum orbis terrarum* by Ortelius (Antwerp, 1570), Halley's *Atlas maritimus* (London, 1728), Jefferys' *West India Atlas* (London, 1783), and Otten's *Atlas minor* (Amsterdam, 1740).

Charlotte Harris Collection.—From this fund have been obtained a copy of the earliest edition of Maximilianus Transylvanus, *De Moluccis*, Cologne, 1523, a rare tract on the discoveries of Magellan in the earliest circumnavigation of the globe; also Wigglesworth's *Meat out of the eater*, 1770, Brackenridge's *Death of General Montgomery*, 1777, and Worlidge's *Select collection of drawings from curious antique gems*, London, 1768.

Music Collection.—Schumann's *Werke* herausg. von Clara Schumann, in 33 volumes; *Paléographie musicale* (Imprimerie Bénédictine de Solesmes), 6 volumes.

Ticknor Library.—Camoens, *Pretidão de amor*. *Endechas*, . . . seguidas da respectiva tradução em varias linguas (Lisboa, 1893); and *Lapidario del Rey Alfonso X*.

Galatea Collection.—Eighty-three volumes, selected by T. W. Higginson (Carnegie fund).

Other purchases added to the general collection are as follows:

A collection of books obtained in Australia, chiefly in the Samoan language, also numerous books on discovery in New South Wales.

Important works on numismatics, including Herrera's *Medallas de proclamaciones y juras de los reyes de España* (Madrid, 1882).

Seventeen portraits of Benjamin Franklin.

Codex Borbonicus, manuscript mexican (Paris, 1899).

Segar's *Baronagium genealogicum*, continued by Edmondson (London, 1764-84), 6 volumes, folio.

Sappey's *Description et iconographie des vaisseaux lymphatiques considérés chez l'homme et les vertébrés* (Paris, 1885).

Nordisk familjebok (Stockholm, 1876-99) 20 volumes.

Revista de Cuba, 16 volumes.

Fuller Worthies' Library, edited by Alexander B. Grosart, eleven volumes, including the works of John Donne, Lord Brooke and Andrew Marvel.

Justinian. Codex et novellae, a product of the press of Giorgio Arrivabene, Venice, 1491. Two volumes. Folio, bound with examples of the contemporary Venetian printers.

The publications of the Imperial Statistical Bureau of Germany, 1873-98.

National Økonomisk Tidsskrift (København, 1873-1900).

Gifts of special importance are mentioned in an appendix to this report, together with a list of givers.

Besides books the following have been purchased :

1,310 photographs	100 manuscripts.
224 maps.	1,150 posters, and many
33 broadsides.	engravings.

AUCTION SALES.

The Library obtains a considerable part of its valuable additions from auction sales. Owing to great and increasing competition, the most valuable books are often secured by private buyers, whose bids far exceed any which the Library can afford to make. During the past year bids were sent, to thirty-four sales, for 1,007 books, of which only 486 were secured. Still, the net result justifies the time spent in the chase; every year some of the most notable accessions to the Library come from the auction room.

The purchases of the year have been fairly well distributed. If less attention than usual has been paid to certain classes of literature this defect will be remedied later.

A part of the work of the Ordering and Receiving Department is shown in the following table :

Book lists prepared (aggregating 14,977 titles),	44
Orders sent	505
Gift acknowledgments sent	1,562
Serials entered	29,422
Books received on approval	2,196
Exchanges packed and sent, volumes	922
Volumes distributed to Fiction Committee	698

THE RECOMMENDATION OF BOOKS.

The Library is indebted to many friends for suggestions as to books to be purchased. Mr. Thomas S. Perry, at present

in Japan, has recommended many French and German books, as heretofore. Dana P. Bartlett, Associate Professor of Mathematics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has helped in the choice of a collection of mathematical and astronomical works for the Bowditch Library, and Col. T. W. Higginson has selected most of the books added to the Galatea Collection. Dr. Malcolm Storer has suggested the titles of desirable numismatical works; the President of a Boston Polish Society has made out a list of books in the Polish language, and Mr. A. S. Waldstein of Cambridge, one in the modern Hebrew language. Mr. William C. Lane, Librarian of Harvard College, has obtained in Egypt an interesting collection of photographs for this Library, and Mr. Charles R. Hildeburn, in his visits to out of the way places in England, has found valuable material illustrating the history and topography of that country. Arrangements have been made with Mr. Sidney C. Cockerell to search in England for illuminated manuscripts for the Library.

The Library must depend mainly on recommendations made by members of the staff, to whom book reviews and catalogues are assigned in the different departments of knowledge.

In order that the Library in its selection of books may not fall behind in any department suggestions are invited from friends. Blank recommendation forms can be obtained on application.

The total number of books read by the Fiction Committee was 683, as against 467 the preceding year. Of these, 346 were accepted by the Trustees, including 28 unfavorably reported on by the Committee, and 325 were rejected, including 76 favorably reported on. Of these books there were bought 3,191 copies, at a cost of \$2,750.68. This year, for the first time, children's books have been read by the Committee.

THE CHAMBERLAIN COLLECTION.

The Honorable Mellen Chamberlain, for twelve years the Librarian of the Boston Public Library, died on June 25, 1900. By the provisions of his will his collection of historical documents, manuscripts, autographs, portraits, engravings and books, which had been offered by him to the Trustees of the Library on February 14, 1893, for deposit here, on certain conditions, and which had been received September 4, 1893, became the property of this Library.

This collection, with other material retained by Judge Chamberlain during his life, will be kept in rooms especially arranged under his supervision.

Four years ago the Library published a brief description of this notable collection with a sketch of Judge Chamberlain. The manuscripts are being indexed under the direction of Mr. Worthington C. Ford of the Library staff.

THE CATALOGUE DEPARTMENT.

The Catalogue Department has been reorganized and strengthened. The report of Mr. Hunt, Chief of this department, shows the following results:

	1900-1901.	1899-1900.
Number of volumes and parts catalogued and recatalogued	61,817	47,782
Number of titles for the same	38,521	26,137

These totals include the following items:

Number of new volumes and parts, Central Library	20,804	22,878
Number of titles for the same	17,341	15,188
Number of volumes and parts recatalogued, Central Library	22,588	13,382
Number of titles for the same	11,641	4,225

Branches:

Number of volumes catalogued	9,948	7,100
Number of titles for the same	9,539	6,724
Number of volumes of serials added, Central Library	4,104	4,572

The titles of 10,317 books have been searched for, preliminary to their recommendation for purchase.

COÖPERATIVE INDEX.

Mr. Murdoch has catalogued 525 titles for the Coöperative index of scientific periodicals. The Library has received from the other co-workers, 2,743 titles.

CARDS IN THE VARIOUS CATALOGUES.

There have been printed, headings written for, and filed this year, 167,430 cards, as against 153,500 cards for the preceding year. Of this number 46,900 cards were placed in the Special Libraries, most of all in the Department of Documents and Statistics and the Allen A. Brown Library

of Music. When it is considered that the number of cards in 1899-1900 was 32,500 above any previous record and that this year 14,000 have been added to that number, it will be evident how great is the increase in this part of the work.

TRANSFERS.

The work of transferring from Stack 4 (the old Lower Hall collection) all the books not fiction has progressed rapidly, 5,197 volumes having been transferred during the year, accompanied by the recataloguing and clearing up of the card catalogue to correspond. About one-third of this work is finished.

PRINTING.

The work of printing the cards for the Allen A. Brown Library of Music has gone forward with more continuity than heretofore. The bulk of titles waiting for the printer has been reduced this year by about 4,000 cards, but not less than 1,000 cards have been added, and about 14,000 cards now remain to be printed.

The titles of new books have been added more promptly to the catalogue, and there is no accumulation of new cards. Nine thousand cards, however, representing recatalogued work, still wait to be printed. All this shows that the Catalogue Department is making "copy" faster than the Printing Department can take care of it.

THE BATES HALL CATALOGUE.

The work of changing the Bates Hall Catalogue from double rod to single rod drawers was begun in January. This task, which necessitates the trimming and repunching of the entire catalogue, and its transfer to other cases, will be a laborious one.

To relieve the crowded condition of the catalogue and provide for its further growth three new cabinets are building.

SPECIAL CATALOGUES.

Not much has been attempted outside the regular catalogue work; indeed, there has been no time to devote to such undertakings. Miss Rollins has prepared an Italian fiction list and worked to some extent on a German fiction list.

PUBLICATIONS.

The following is a summary of the report of Mr. Lindsay Swift, Editor of the publications of the Library.

Publications for 1900-1901.	Date of Issue.	Pages.	Edition.	Price.
Annual list.....	Jan. 1, 1901,	184	3,470	.05
Branch finding list No. 3.....	Sept. 1, 1900,	40	5,488	Free.
Genealogies and local histories...	July 1, 1900,	88	1,015	.25
Historical manuscripts No. 1....		36	250	Exchange only.
Monthly Bulletins.....	1st of each month	434	*5,000	Free.
Postal titles.....	April, 1900,	16	520	
Rules and regulations.....	Dec., 1900,	16	11,200	Free.
Supplement to list for the young.	Sept., 1900,	7	2,400	

In all, 821 pages as against 793 pages in 1899.

During the past year there have appeared in the Monthly Bulletin, in addition to the titles of new books, the following lists: Postal titles, with special reference to the United States, compiled by Mr. C. W. Ernst (May); Text-books at present used in the Public schools of Boston (September); Programme of exhibitions at the Central Library and Branches, 1900-1901 (October); Books illustrative of Rev. Dr. G. A. Gordon's Lowell lectures (November); Books illustrating Prof. H. Morse Stephens's Lowell lectures on English administration in India (December); Books suggested in connection with Dr. Newinan Smyth's Lowell lectures (December); The rights of man: books in connection with Dr. Lyman Abbott's Lowell lectures (January, 1901); Natural history and natural knowledge: books in connection with Prof. W. K. Brooks's Lowell lectures (January, 1901); and also during the same period the following prints from manuscripts in the collections of the Library: Trade of the Massachusetts Bay (March and April); Paper currency in the British plantations in America (April); Four letters of John Brown; John Adams's Notes on the trial of the British soldiers for the "Boston massacre," 1770 (August); Four historical letters: James Cogswell, June 15, 1775; Ezra Selden, June 25, 1775; Martha Washington (two), 1790, 1800 (November); an Ecclesiastical council, 1743 (December); Journal of a survey in 1791, for a canal across Cape Cod, by James Winthrop (January and February, 1901).

The only change in the Monthly Bulletins worthy of comment is the publication, beginning with November, 1900, of selected lists illustrative of lectures delivered before the

* 4,000 in the summer months.

Lowell Institute. These lists are prepared by the lecturers themselves, but they are found to require considerable editing and recasting in order to make them suitable for publication. The books referred to are then placed on shelves in Bates Hall, available primarily for persons who attend the lectures. It is hardly time to pronounce on the utility of this scheme. I only give it as my opinion that these lists enrich the pages of the Bulletin, even when they have little bibliographical fulness or significance. Their publication is all in furtherance of the policy which encourages us to graft on our own work features (such as the continued publication of the Programmes of the Lowell lectures) belonging more immediately to the work of other institutions.

The various issues of the Bulletin seem to have been readily taken by the public, and are soon out of print.

The Annual list remains the same in scope, except that in the latest issue the Editor has introduced the titles of more recent public documents of various states and countries, which were first published in the Bulletin.

During the past year a new venture has been modestly yet hopefully begun. Mr. Worthington C. Ford, in charge of the manuscript collection, occasionally offers for the Bulletin some rare or interesting matter, with a view to opening gradually to the public our resources in this direction. These separate contributions are to be gathered up into volumes, of which the first has already appeared, and is entitled "Historical Manuscripts in the Public Library of the City of Boston. Number One."

The following material is ready to be printed: 1. An Index to British patents, prepared by Mr. Frank C. Blaisdell. 2. A List by authors and titles of Italian fiction, compiled by Miss Mary H. Rollins. It comprises about 1,500 titles. 3. A List of German fiction is well under way, which when completed will combine at least 6,000 titles. 4. Historical manuscripts. Number Two.

GENEALOGY.

The most popular publication of the Library for some time is the "Finding List of Genealogies, and Local and Town Histories containing Family Records in the Public Library of the City of Boston." In the preface it is stated that the late Arthur M. Knapp, then Custodian of Bates Hall, had, in December 1898, completed a revised and greatly enlarged edition of a list of genealogies and local histories, which was published in the Bulletin of this Library for October, 1891.

The material as thus left was practically in the definite shape in which Mr. Knapp wished it to appear. Miss Agnes C. Doyle has since made additions to and revised the titles.

The reception given to this publication has been most gratifying; the demand for it has come from all parts of the country. The Library has perhaps never issued a more practical and useful list.

SHELF DEPARTMENT OF THE CENTRAL LIBRARY.

The additions to the shelves of the Central Library, excluding the Duplicate Room, have been as follows:

	Volumes.
General Collection, including Deposit Collection	15,838
Special Libraries	6,544
Statistical Department	2,667
Total	25,049

The total number of volumes and pamphlets sent by the Shelf Department to various binderies was 24,866.

Additional shelving, sufficient for 25,000 volumes, has been put in place. This will relieve for a short time the pressure for more shelf room, which is beginning to be a matter of anxiety.

THE BINDING OF BOOKS.

The output of the Library Bindery has been:

	Volumes.
Books bound	12,525
Pamphlets bound	4,530
Books repaired, etc.	5,017
Total	22,072
Library publications, etc., folded, stitched and trimmed	76,925
Maps, etc., mounted on cloth	1,129
Photographs and engravings mounted	3,985
Miscellaneous work	2,176 pieces
Other miscellaneous work	739 hours

By the generosity of the City Government the sum of \$10,000 was given to the Library to be used in rebinding worn books. This allowance was made in answer to a request made to the Mayor by the Board of Trustees for the sum of \$30,000 for the above specified purpose, of which

one-third might be spent in 1900, and similar amounts in the two succeeding years.

On the receipt of this sum the book binders of the City were invited to submit bids, on the inspection of specimens showing the style and quality of binding required. The work done by the binders who were the successful bidders, aided by two or three others from outside the City, has been satisfactory. The sum provided has been spent with the following results:

Number of volumes rebound	11,198
Newspapers rebound, volumes	612
Total	11,810

The Bindery Department of the Library was allowed to share in this undertaking to a limited extent, working extra time evenings, and binding 1,115 volumes.

This rebinding of books was under the charge of the Shelf Department and Bindery Department, which deserve a special word of praise therefor. The need of continuing the work is pressing.

The binding and repair work for the year may be summed up as follows:

	Volumes.
Library Bindery (regular work)	22,072
Rebinding (\$10,000 allowance)	11,810
Rebinding popular books	12,900
Binding pamphlets (special collection)	2,000
Total	48,782

In addition to this many thousand volumes are repaired by the attendants at the Library.

THE PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

There has been no addition to the working force of the Printing Department, or to the machinery. There has been a considerable increase in the number of cards printed for the card catalogues; otherwise the output remains in general character substantially the same as given in the Annual Report for last year. To meet the increasing demands made upon the department, especially for the card catalogue, and in order that the three departments of Cataloguing, Editing, and Printing may work continuously and economically, an additional linotype machine is urgently needed.

DISPOSITION OF PUBLICATIONS.

The number of Library publications sent out by the Custodian of Stock during the year was 83,686. The total number distributed of blank forms now in use in the Library, including the charging slips, was 2,084,466.

USE OF BOOKS.

In Appendix VII. is given the number of volumes taken by readers for home use during the past year from each department of the Library. The sum is:

	Home use.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.
Central Library (including Central Library books issued through branches and stations)	.	430,987	431,657
Branches and stations	.	820,554	893,071
Total	.	1,251,541	1,324,728

Only a partial count can be made of books used within the various libraries, since many shelves are now thrown open to readers. The *recorded* use in the Central Library for the past year was 367,063 volumes, as against 355,017 volumes the year previous. No account is kept of the use of magazines and newspapers.

Inter-Library Loans.—Other libraries have received 394 volumes as loans from this Library; 35 applications have been denied, partly for the reason that popular books, such as ought to be in every public library, were asked for. The system is intended to provide only for the exchange between libraries of scholarly or unusual books. Calls upon this Library are not likely to reach such a number as to cause inconvenience from the withdrawal of books needed by those legally entitled to use the Library.

THE ISSUE DEPARTMENT, CENTRAL LIBRARY.

Having at command increased space and facilities, the work of the Issue Department, under the charge of Miss McGuffey, has been more satisfactory than heretofore. The delivery of books will be hastened by the additions made to the Pick-up carrier system. While the complaints of readers of delay in getting books are less than formerly, they are still numerous enough to cause solicitude. The book railway, after six years' service, shows signs of weakness, and needs considerable repairs.

In December the rules were changed so that now but one

seven-day book may be charged on a card at a time. This change was made to allow a more even distribution of new fiction among readers. It will probably reduce the amount of fiction read, and perhaps the total record of use of the Library.

The development of the system of outlying agencies of the Library has brought a great increase in the work of the Issue Department and a closer coöperation between these departments.

BATES HALL.

The use of books by students in Bates Hall seems to increase. The Custodian, Mr. Bierstadt, has reclassified and brought up to date the works on history placed in this room. No books in the entire Library system reach more readers than this reference collection.

Exhibitions of books have been given upon the open screen at the time of the Lowell lectures, and to illustrate notable current events, such as the death of Queen Victoria. The shelves at the catalogue end of Bates Hall have been mostly devoted to new books not fiction and their use has been quite large.

The centre desk in Bates Hall has been enlarged, affording better facilities for work, and giving more room for the display of the catalogues of the Library, and documents frequently consulted by readers.

THE SPECIAL LIBRARIES.

To the Assistant Librarian, Mr. Fleischner, in charge of the Special Libraries, is mainly due the remarkable development of this department of the Library. Following his report it is learned that the use of these libraries has still further increased during the past year, under the charge of Miss Hitchcock and her assistants. On the industrial arts, 1,000 volumes have been added and 1,938 on the fine arts, making 11,000 volumes of the former and 18,151 of the latter in the collection.

A notable extension of the work done in connection with the schools is found in the establishment of a class in industrial design, under a trained teacher, supplied by the School Committee. The class has met at the Library once a week, since December 15, 1900.

EXHIBITIONS.

The system of exhibitions, lectures and classes has been extended, and it is evident that this feature of the work of the department is more and more appreciated. A stereopticon

purchased by the Library will add to the interest in the lectures given in the Lecture Room. Exhibitions of photographs, engravings, etc., have been held in the following order: January–February, 1900, Christian and mediæval sculpture; Renaissance architecture; Assyrian antiquities in the British Museum (in connection with a lecture by Professor D. G. Lyon). March, Renaissance sculpture; Medals collected by the late Arthur M. Knapp, of the Library staff, and given to the Library by his brother; original blocks engraved by Stevenson to illustrate the chap books published by Stevenson and Lloyd Osbourne at Davos Platz; Italian painting, 14th–16th centuries; The life of the Virgin, in connection with a lecture by the Reverend Henry G. Spaulding. April, Flemish painting; Books on the early history of New England; Maps, manuscripts and documents relating to the postal service, loaned by Mr. C. W. Ernst. Renaissance architecture in connection with a lecture by Professor E. B. Homer. May, Dutch, German and French schools of painting. June–July, English school of painting; American painting, chiefly mural decoration. August–September, Spanish school of painting; Photographs of China and Japan; Colored plates of oriental ceramic art, collection of W. T. Walters, gift of Louis Prang. October, Athens and Rome; The original French edition of the Tissot Bible; The Sella collection of Alpine and Caucasian views, loaned by the Appalachian Mountain Club. November–December, Greek sculpture; The life of Christ in art, in connection with lectures by the Reverend Henry G. Spaulding; Florence; Madonnas. January, 1901, Plates from Rossi's *Musaici cristiani delle chiese di Roma*; Venice (in connection with a course of lectures by J. F. Hopkins, Instructor of Drawing to the teachers in the Boston public schools); Egypt; Greek art; Rome; Portraits of Queen Victoria.

There have been exhibitions of pictures at the branch libraries and stations. These exhibitions are changed every month.

CLASSES.

The following enumeration of visits made to the Special Libraries by schools and clubs in classes will show the extent of the use of this department.

Schools	.	.	.	.	.	22 visits	413 members
Clubs	.	.	.	.	.	60 visits	961 members
Private classes	.	.	.	.	.	69 visits	1,027 members
Total	.	.	.	.	.	151	2,401

To the schools and clubs 201 portfolios of pictures have been sent. Four lectures, illustrated by the stereopticon, have been given under the auspices of the Unity Art Club.

PHOTOGRAPHS.

The collection of photographs consists of the following:

Painting	5,524
Architecture	5,349
Sculpture	2,114
Miscellaneous	300
Total	13,287
Process pictures:	
Painting	2,498
Architecture	2,050
Sculpture	715
Unclassified	175
Total	5,438

The additions during the year have been: 1,335 photographs and 752 process pictures.

The use of the Special Libraries is increasing; the special catalogues are being constantly improved and additional catalogue cases have been provided.

THE ALLEN A. BROWN LIBRARY OF MUSIC.

More than five hundred volumes have been added to the Library of Music. This collection contains nearly all the new and uniform editions of the great masters, those of Chopin and Schumann having been recently acquired. Much attention has been paid to the purchase of the full orchestral scores of operas, oratorios and large choral works, and the number of these in the Library, now exceeding six hundred and fifty, will compare favorably with all but a few of the great European collections. The same can be said of chamber music in all its branches, to which large additions are being constantly made.

Miss Margaret D. Whitney, in charge of the Music Library, having resigned from the service, Miss Marguerite Barton has been appointed to fill this position.

Two bronze tablets and an oak table with drawers for holding photographs have been placed in the Military Alcove by the Twentieth Regiment Memorial Association.

DOCUMENTS AND STATISTICS.

The report of the Chief of the Department of Documents and Statistics shows that considerable progress has been made in the arrangement and development of this important collection of material. Two points may be emphasized, namely, the need of more shelf room, and of greater accessibility to readers through a more convenient location..

MANUSCRIPTS.

The report by Mr. Ford, which follows, on the first full year's work of the Department of Manuscripts is of interest. A separate room has been provided for this department.

The manuscript collections of the Library have been increased during the year by important gifts to the "Abolition," or Garrison collection, by the daughters of the Rev. Samuel May, and by the niece of Mrs. Henry G. Chapman (Maria Weston Chapman). The Phelps collection is ready for binding, but will not be completed until the Garrison collection is in the same condition. The Garrison collection is in process of mounting, preparatory to binding, and during the last year 3,192 separate pieces have been thus treated. It is expected that the work will be completed in two more years. The collection has been indexed, so far as the writers of the letters are concerned, as rapidly as the papers have been given out to be mounted. From time to time, additional letters and papers are received from Mr. Wendell P. Garrison and Mr. Francis J. Garrison, who have shown a generous interest in the measures taken for giving the collection its final form, when it shall be accessible to the public.

Late in the last year the Chamberlain collection of manuscripts came into the full possession of the Library under the provisions of the will of the late Judge Mellen Chamberlain. The general nature of this collection has been described in the hand book issued by the Trustees in 1897, and any account of special features will be deferred until the contents are better known. The catalogue, already begun, will contain entries by writer and principal mention of public and other characters, and will include the portraits, engravings, and printed broadsides and advertisements, of which there are some very fine and rare examples. The card catalogue already numbers 3,246 separate entries, and covers about one-tenth of the collection.

The album of John Brown material, presented to the Library by Col. Thomas Wentworth Higginson, has also

been mounted, and the more important letters inlaid. It will be bound at a fitting opportunity. Numerous manuscripts have been repaired, and, when needed, mounted on silk, or with silk coverings, coated with paraffine, thus making them less exposed to damage. About one-third of the Griswold collection has been mounted and repaired, and will be ready for binding during the current year.

Col. Thomas Wentworth Higginson supplemented his volume of letters relating to the John Brown attempt at Harper's Ferry with an equally interesting collection on the Anthony Burns riot. These two volumes, describing the events from the inside, and by one of the active participants, are of very great historical value, and complete the records already in the Library in the Garrison manuscripts and the Theodore Parker newspaper scrap-books.

A gift, of some size and of true historical and genealogical value, is that given by the late Mr. Thomas Smythe. He had spent many years of his life in copying town records and collecting memoranda on family history. The results were filed on loose sheets, sometimes entered in note-books, more often accumulated in the order of copying. To his own work was added some transcripts from Virginia records made by his brother. Mr. Smythe intended to prepare a description of the material, but death intervened before he could accomplish his purpose, or even outline its leading points.

Through the liberality of Mrs. Julia M. Norris, widow of the Rev. Thomas Starr King, and Mrs. Horace Davis, her daughter, now of San Francisco, the Public Library has come into possession of more than four hundred of the manuscript sermons of Mr. King. This long series covers a ministerial activity of nearly twenty years, for the last manuscript was composed less than two weeks before his death. Included in the number are many of the best known of Mr. King's utterances. The range of subjects treated is wide, comprising his political and war sermons, as well as those on nature, on religious belief, and on literature. A list giving the title of the sermon, and the earliest date it bears, has been printed in the Bulletin. Most of these manuscripts were for a time in the keeping of Edwin P. Whipple, under whose direction many were published, and they bear his comments and annotations.

A number of very choice manuscripts have been purchased as opportunity offered. The largest single acquisition was a collection of nearly six hundred bills and accounts of an old mercantile house in Boston, extending from 1762 to 1839. Not only are they interesting in the names they bear, but

they give prices and descriptions of articles of ordinary use, presenting the material for a study of the social and economic condition of town and city. The Library already contained the bill-book of John Rowe (1759-1762), so that the records are thus complementary.

In making purchases, some caution has been exercised lest unnecessary duplication occur. A mere autograph is avoided on general principle, unless there is a reasonable certainty that no better example of writing is obtainable. The document should have an historical as well as an autographic value, and it is all the more desirable if it has a connection with the history of Boston or of Massachusetts. So long as the Chamberlain collection is not fully catalogued, it will be necessary to exercise this caution, but many very interesting manuscripts were obtained during the year, and at reasonable prices.

Believing that the manuscripts of the Library should be used for public benefit, and realizing the impossibility of giving free access to them, it is proposed to publish in the Bulletin such of the more interesting material as we possess. The Editor of the Bulletin has coöperated, and there has been issued the first number of what is intended to embody the records, letters and documents of permanent historical value.

The rules laid down for obtaining access to the manuscripts are needed for their preservation; but no reasonable request has been denied, and wherever possible the inquirer has been met to the full. With every step towards a full arrangement and catalogue, the collections will become more available to public use.

THE CHILDREN'S ROOMS.

The Children's Room at the Central Library was opened in May, 1895, and the Children's Reference Room May 1, 1899. Since May, 1898, three children's reading rooms have been established at the branches and stations, and in three others separate space has been set apart for the children.

In the report of Mrs. Gertrude P. Sheffield, in charge of this department at the Central Library, it is stated that the work progresses, if slowly, yet apparently surely in its most important features, such as teaching children how best to use the Library, and making them acquainted with a better class of books than those which have hitherto interested them. That the privileges granted are appreciated may be seen by a visit to the Children's Room, especially on any Saturday afternoon or Sunday.

Acknowledgment is made to the Fiction Committee for suggestions as to the selection of books. Their criticisms are valuable, and, issuing from many different sources, the possibility of pleasing various tastes is greater than when the judgment of one person is depended on.

From this room many books are sent to the branch libraries, and to the vacation playgrounds.

Considerable additions have been made to the Reference Library, especially through the gift from the publishers of specimen copies of the books used in the public schools of the City. These number 599 volumes, and they have already done good service to both teachers and pupils. Boys studying in the night schools depend upon these books, and come to the Library daily for their use.

There have been numerous exhibitions during the year. In February a series of exhibits of pictures of birds was begun (the exhibit showing the birds which might be expected at that time on their way north), and was accompanied by notes calling attention to a few facts of special interest. These exhibits were continued during the months of migration only.

In May the first of a number of exhibits of pictures of flowers and fruit was given. This series was made possible by the kindness of Miss Helen Sharp, who lent her collection of exquisite original botanical sketches in color. These were so arranged as either to show the relationship between different flowers, or to show the flower with its fruit. Other exhibitions have been given of pictures of subjects given to classes in the public schools for study, and books have been given to the children, with especial attention to assisting them in writing the compositions required.

The following table gives a classified statement of the issue of children's books for the year.

Children's Room :

Fiction	48,630	
Non-fiction	4,602	
Bates Hall books	6,991	
		60,223
Children's books issued from Stack 4 (mostly fiction),		7,417
Children's books issued from the Children's Room and		
Stack 4 to the Branch Department :		
Fiction	32,745	
Non-fiction	5,516	
		38,261
Total issue of children's books		105,901

PATENTS.

The work in the Patent Room increases from year to year; progress is being made in the different lists which are preparing.

	1899-1900	1900-1901
Number of visitors	3,836	3,568
Number of volumes consulted . . .	47,460	71,021
Number of volumes in the Patent Room .		8,479

NEWSPAPERS.

The Newspaper Reading Room was enlarged two years ago. It is still too small for the needs of the Library. A count was made of readers on November 24 and December 4; on the first day 1,178 persons were present, and on the second day, 1,363.

New shelving has been placed in the rooms where the files of bound newspapers are kept, and grilled doors protect the more valuable papers. Many volumes have been rebound, and numerous packages of papers have been collated and made ready for the shelves. The number of volumes consulted by readers in the past year was 8,026, as against 4,977 the previous year.

LECTURES.

Under the auspices of the Trustees a course of free lectures was given in March and April, 1900, in the new Lecture Room of the Library. The speakers and subjects were as follows: Col. T. W. Higginson, Education and the Public Library; James L. Whitney, Incidents in the early history of the Boston Public Library, and other libraries; Otto Fleischner, The Public Library and art education; Rev. Jesse H. Jones, Wendell Phillips, an address in connection with the presentation to the Library of a bronze bust of Wendell Phillips; Lindsay Swift, The Public Library in its relations to literature; Worthington C. Ford, The Public Library in its relations to the state; Dr. William Everett, Reminiscences of Hon. Edward Everett; C. W. Ernst, World literature and the postal service; Rev. Dr. Edward Everett Hale, Benjamin Franklin.

A second course of lectures on Methods of municipal administration, illustrated as far as possible by the history of some of the principal cities of the world, will begin March 11, 1901.

Under the auspices of the Unity Art Club the following lectures have been given: The social life of the Babylonians in the sixth century, B. C., by Professor D. G. Lyon of Harvard College; The life of the Virgin, and Rome and the Marble Faun, by the Rev. Henry G. Spaulding; Renaissance architecture, by Professor E. B. Homer of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The last three lectures were illustrated by the stereopticon.

THE BRANCH LIBRARIES AND STATIONS.

The development of the branches, reading rooms and delivery stations during the year has been quite marked.

At Roslindale a new reading room, attractive and convenient, has been established in an independent building. A considerable supply of books has been furnished, and the interest awakened has been gratifying. This section of the City is populous and rapidly growing, and the new reading room in its central position will rank among the most important of the Library's agencies.

A new reading room has been established at Andrew square, South Boston, in a room of the John A. Andrew school-house, which was offered to the Library by the School Committee.

For this very desirable addition to the Library system, as well as for the reading room at Roslindale, thanks are due to the City Government, which generously made appropriations for this purpose.

The establishment of a children's room at the West End Branch, the enlargement of the West Roxbury Branch, and other additions and changes are described in the report of Mr. Ward, the Supervisor of Branches and Stations. Especially worthy of mention are the re-establishment of Station N, at Roxbury, through the kindness of the Catholic Young Men's Association of St. Patrick's Church, and the new home found for Station S, on Tremont street, where, accompanying the Boys' Institute of Industry in its transfer, it is still under the protecting wing of that institution.

The branch system comprises eighty-six outlying agencies, as against seventy-one in the previous year. Their output of books for home use was 1,006,214 volumes, as against 922,624 in 1899-1900.

The sum of \$30,000 has been provided by the City for a new building for the Charlestown Branch Library.

COÖPERATION WITH THE SCHOOLS.

Especial attention is asked to that part of the report of the Supervisor of Branches and Stations which outlines the relationship existing between the Library and the schools of the City. The movement towards affiliation has received a decided impulse of late, and the action of the Library which was at first tentative and hesitating, is now more sure and confident. Nearly one-third of the high and grammar schools receive books from the Library, double the number of a year ago. The interest shown in this new movement by the school authorities promises the best results, which may only be limited by the supply of books at the disposal of the Library.

The following extract from a letter addressed to the Library by a Master of one of the public schools expresses, it is thought, a growing sentiment: "The high degree of efficiency and the spirit of accommodation manifested in your department have added greatly to the working power of our school."

THE TEACHERS' GEOGRAPHY CLUB.

Help has been given to the Library by the Teachers' Geography Club. Professor William M. Davis, of Harvard College, has sent many notes in regard to newly issued Topographic sheets of the United States Geological Survey, and teachers have read some of the new geographical books and made summaries of their scope and contents.

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Librarian.

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reports on finance and commerce, or the current periodicals charged to this department. Of this number (731) about 500 will remain permanently in the department, and the balance goes to complete series or files now in the stacks, awaiting a convenient time and opportunity for their transfer and new location in this special branch of the Library. Even with an increase of 500 pieces a month, and that is well within the actual figures, it may easily be seen that the collections must soon form an important part of the general Library, and the growth involves serious questions on the best disposition to be made of them for the benefit of the public. Some of these questions I shall raise in this report.

About one-fifteenth of the volumes added to the collection during the past year was by purchase, and the matter thus obtained was of current publication, chiefly bearing upon sociological and administrative questions of the day. The most important single accession was a set of the *Statistik des Deutschen Reichs*, in 178 volumes — the very cornerstone of German statistics, — and comprising the best results of statistical studies in problems of government applied to that empire. Another valuable acquisition was a file of the *Annales du Commerce*, issued by the French government, and containing an almost complete record of commercial legislation and commercial statistics from the year 1843 to 1900. While it is only natural that this series has been constructed on lines of special interest to French trade and industry, it is of permanent value in all investigations into the course of international trade since the repeal of the British corn laws and the entrance of Great Britain into the experiment of free-trade with the world. Important as were these purchases, and necessary as they were to fill a blank in our series of statistical issues, they are only examples of many similar purchases that must be made before even an approximate completeness can be found in this special branch.

Early in the summer a number of works on international law, notably those bearing upon the questions of protectorates, the acquisition and settlement of new territories and disputed rights in colonizing movements, were purchased, and proved useful. But I found that the Boston Athenæum possessed a special fund for purchasing such works, and recognized the inutility of duplicating save in such cases as the high permanent value of the work made its possession advisable. Through the courtesy of Mr. Bolton of the Athenæum I have a complete list of the works on interna-

tional law in that institution, and so far as is consistent with the aims and policy of this department duplication will be avoided. The purchase of state laws and proceedings of legislatures is also deferred for the present, because the State Library, under Mr. Tillinghast's able management, makes it a point to obtain full series, and through his courtesy the inquirer at the Public Library may be sent to the State House collections. So long as the questions of expense and the difficulty of housing such extensive series press upon this Library there is no reason for duplicating these state publications. At the same time I do not hesitate to ask for the reports of the State Executive departments, inasmuch as they embody the latest results of the administration of government in the different states of the Union, and are thus essential to the study of comparative conditions, through which alone the best and most intelligent conclusions are reached. In this connection I would mention the series of inaugural and annual messages of the governors of the different states, which are obtained each year, as they indicate the problems of legislation and administration present in each state, and thus supply an annual index, as it were, of the present questions of policy.

As to the gifts made to this department, it would be impossible to name even the more important. The United States government has been liberal in meeting my requests, and with hardly an exception, the document wanted has been sent willingly and promptly. I would especially note the courtesy of the War Department in its issues on "Insular Affairs," and the Treasury Department in its daily, weekly and monthly publications on finance and commerce. Promptness and certainty of receipt have been of great assistance to the department in maintaining its ability to meet current questions on those subjects.

The same remarks will apply to the many State departments which have sent their regular or occasional publications. The four great divisions of labor, railroads, insurance, and charities and corrections have by these means been maintained at a point of high efficiency, and those of finance (reports on assessment, taxation and expenditures) are being rapidly expanded and completed. Peculiar difficulties are encountered in this matter, through the absence of any "clearing house" of information. Few lists of state reports are available, and the documents issued by a legislative body are difficult to follow. The appointment of a committee or special commission to report upon a subject of general interest may be noted, but years may elapse before the report is

made; the committee may never make a report, or may prepare one of little value. An occasional mention in a newspaper may enable its proceedings to be followed, but it is almost impossible to devote such minute attention as to be able to apply for a copy of the report at the proper time. Discovery comes too late, when a full distribution has been made, and the opportunity to secure a copy has passed.

While this difficulty is in part made good by the certainty that at some time the State Library will receive a copy, there is an awkward interval of time during which inquiries at the Public Library may be frequent and urgent. It is a pity that in each state a certain number of copies of documents should not be set aside for the great public libraries, or that a number should not be given to the State Library for similar distribution. In default of such an arrangement a monthly list of issues by the Legislature and departments might be sent to libraries, similar to the lists issued by the United States Superintendent of Documents, or the monthly and quarterly lists of British Parliament Papers. Until some system of disseminating a knowledge of the printing of public documents, or some method of organizing and centralizing their distribution is adopted, this difficulty must remain. It is at times difficult to explain this matter to one who is pressingly anxious for a particular report or paper. The immediate want blinds the inquirer to the obstacles in the way of satisfaction.

In turning to the more important accessions of foreign documents and reports, it is with keen pleasure that I acknowledge the general courtesy and extensive generosity of the various governments and departments. A glance at the list of donors printed as an appendix to the annual report of the Library will show the extent of the gifts, and the many sources from which they were received. Not infrequently a request has been made which could not be granted because of the rules governing the distribution of public documents; but such occurrences have been infrequent, and in few instances have applied to important issues.

It may not be out of place to note an advantage enjoyed by these foreign bureaus. As a rule they are presided over by men who have held office for many years, and have thus become not only familiar with the duties of their particular bureau or department, but have studied the methods and results of similar bureaus in foreign governments. They belong to the permanent force of the administration, and thus embody the machinery, the knowledge, and perhaps the preju-

dices of long service. I need not give a list by name of those actually in service for examples ; but the few changes that have come under my notice in the last few years are in point. In England, Mr. Robert Giffen was at the head of the Board of Trade for many years. The late Dr. Janssens, whose death removes one of the most faithful of statisticians, could show a long and specialized term of official activity. Notice has just been received of the retirement of Elis Sidenblad from the head of the Swedish Statistical Department, after a term of office of 21 years, while in the neighboring state of Norway, Anders Kiær can show as long a service, and there is no indication of any decay of power or willingness to receive suggestion. The truly magnificent series of Swedish and Norwegian statistical publications alone justify this policy of retaining ability in office, for they have given their creators a standing abroad which redounds greatly to the credit of the two countries.

A further advantage of such service lies in the knowledge it gives of what is being done elsewhere for statistical science, the ability to know those who are pursuing the same lines of investigation in other countries. I may take some credit to the position held by the American Statistical Association, for it has been through its agency that many of the most important accessions have been made. Similar societies abroad have readily responded to its calls, and the heads of the different foreign statistical departments, knowing of its existence and labor through long years, have generously aided in completing its series and in freely giving the best of their publications. In Russia and its cities, and in Austria-Hungary, as readily as in France, Germany or Great Britain, the Association has become known as worthy of recognition, and exchanges of publications are readily made. I would especially mention the receipt from Baron Noldé, of the Department of Finance, St. Petersburg, of more than ninety volumes of the issues on the finances and commerce of the Empire. It only remains to add that unless these official statisticians of Europe had enjoyed their long service, they would neither know of the American Association nor place so high an estimate upon its labors and the field which it occupies in the United States.

The practice of obtaining certain official reports of European governments as soon as published has been continued and extended with regard to English and French documents. As the question of colonial administration has assumed such importance, the current reports of the British colonies are received under this system, making them available for use

months before their receipt under the old plan. In like manner the department has devoted especial attention to commercial statistics, as there is an ever increasing demand for information on that subject. The Statistik des Deutschen Reichs gives the returns for the German Empire, and the British Trade returns are received promptly on issue. I have added through gift and purchase a full set of the Chinese, Indian and Japanese returns, and the French Ministry of Commerce enables us to receive the important *Moniteur Officiel du Commerce* and the accompanying consular reports each week. The series of Austrian and British Indian issues, noted in my last report, are continued. The annual reports now received from the foreign chambers of commerce make a notable addition to our collections, and will be continued. The Chamber of Commerce of Hamburg enabled me to complete a series of its reports extending from 1867 to 1900, and other bodies have been generous in gifts to be noted in my report of the current year.

The statistical works received from the American Statistical Association by the transfer of its collections in June, 1898, have now been arranged, catalogued and placed upon the shelves of this department. The completion of this task enables me to take a general survey of the accessions through this transfer, and it is very gratifying to find that the results are fully equal to the expectations. General works on statistical methods the Association had not collected, but had confined itself almost entirely to obtaining the current issues of official statistical bureaus in the United States and European countries. It was thus a library of applied statistics which came to us, and a long list of series could be given to indicate the particular nature of the works. The larger part of these series the Public Library did not possess, or held in such broken files as to be practically useless. Yet the Library in many cases possessed the very numbers or parts needed to complete the files of the Statistical Association. As nearly all of these fragments bore the signature of General Francis A. Walker, long the President of the American Statistical Association, they were deposited by him in the Public Library from time to time, while other issues of the same series were turned into the Statistical Association. The two collections were thus in a measure complementary, and the policy of accepting the transfer has been justified on this ground alone, apart from the value of the matter thus secured. The series older in date rarely occur in any auction or private offerings, and it was the earlier series which were the more complete. It

has also been very gratifying to notice how well the general collections of the Public Library on political economy, sociology and the theory of statistics supplement this collection of practical and applied economics of the various statistical bureaus. The actual possession of the "raw material" and the "finished interpretation" of statistics in one department is a great step towards fulfilling my wish to have at hand the outfit of a "statistical laboratory."

A very serious obstacle stands in the way of a realization of this plan. The department is too remote and difficult to reach to be readily accessible, and its present quarters are so small and cramped as to make a fair display of its leading features out of the question. The available shelf room will not hold one-half of its collection, and at present the books numbered and located are in no less than six different places, a source of annoyance and waste of time both to those who have them in charge and those who wish to consult them. The recent clearing of a certain space in Stack Six for a part of the accumulation does not satisfy the needs of the department, while it makes necessary a breach in what must be regarded as an essential feature of the collections — the open shelves or ready accessibility. I consider that the true function of the department is to supply the material for investigation and make it open to the student. It is out of the question to be in such a position as to be able to answer every inquiry at once, a faculty that seems to be expected by many. To encourage and cultivate intelligent use of the material in the department should be the limit of our endeavor.

One step towards a realization of this is the indexing of the statistical series and periodicals now in process. A book or pamphlet speaks for itself, and is fully treated in a bibliographical sense in the general catalogue. But a serial issue (and the larger portion of statistical investigations appears in periodical form) by name conveys no idea of its contents, and only by indexing and analyzing the individual essays can they be made of service to the public. The labor thus undertaken will be continued, and in due time I hope to have a complete index of past as well as current issues, and in such a form as to be of public use. I am extending it so as to include the title and description of any important articles on finance, commerce or sociological investigation appearing in recognized weekly journals devoted to these subjects. The index will thus be a record of the notable events in the economic world as well as a reference to the leading sources of information. It will not be either practi-

cable or desirable to incorporate this index into the general catalogue of the Public Library, as it would unduly swell the size of what is already a large catalogue, and increase it with titles or entries of little use to those not engaged in special investigation.

With the collections now in my charge a liberal policy has been pursued, and this has been found to meet with favor as well as to encourage application to this department. Volumes have been loaned to the leading educational institutions of this neighborhood, either at the request of some professor whose requirements were urgent, or to aid in university debates on current questions. The knowledge that public documents of importance are almost certain to be found here soon after issue, has led to these applications, and I am firmly convinced of the good policy of meeting them freely and in due discretion. It is with pleasure that I am able to record that in no case has the confidence thus shown been abused, and no losses have occurred.

I have thus outlined the relations of this department to the general public; it remains to speak of its internal organization and functions. That the institution was an experiment was recognized at the outset, and has ever been present to mind. Yet I cannot but believe that the department has justified its existence, and will grow in usefulness as its collections and aims become better known, and as its surroundings are made better suited to its ends. That it possesses characteristics which differentiate it from the general Library is true, and the existence of these differences has led to criticism and at times to friction. A long-established system, of slow growth and still slower change, finds a difficulty in meeting new conditions. The organization of this department imposed upon it certain elements of isolation and separate activity. It not only recommends books for purchase, but it locates them when received. It makes application for documents, receives them and acknowledges the receipt, prepares the card of accession, numbers the volumes according to the shelf scheme of the department, makes the entry on the shelf list, and on final return from the Bindery or Shelf Department, after the addition of the number labels and book-plates, takes charge of the circulation and use. The department is thus to a degree an independent branch, in that it performs all the steps involved in obtaining, shelving and circulating a book, except the purely mechanical functions of binding, of attaching numbering labels and book-plates, and keeping the indicator record of circulation.

Even this does not include all the duties falling to the department, as the most difficult matter is the selection of books for purchase or for obtaining through gift. A general treatise on a sociological subject is advertised, for there is a market for it. But official publications are rarely advertised or announced, and attract attention only when relating to a question of state policy immediately before the public, or when noticed by some investigator to whom its usefulness appeals. These items are never in any publishing lists, occur rarely in the sales catalogues, and must be sought in occasional bibliographies or in the columns of statistical journals. Nor is the mere finding of a title sufficient; there must be some knowledge of the contents of the work to attain to a proper estimate of its worth. It is thus not assuming too much to state that half of the time of this department should be expended in becoming familiar with what is being or has been written on a current topic, and securing a knowledge of these more obscure but highly valuable sources of information in official publications.

The practice of making exchanges of duplicate material with other libraries has been continued, and offers a ready means of disposing of this embarrassing increase of dead material. It is not feasible at all times to obtain what might be considered a full equivalent. A smaller library finds a difficulty in meeting the needs of a very much larger and older institution. Its own wants are many while those of the older body are few and usually to be classed among the unusual and difficult to fill. A certain discretion has thus been necessary, and I have sought to temper it with liberality, as the space now occupied by duplicates in this Library is too valuable for other purposes to be needlessly expanded.

Respectfully submitted,

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(B.)

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF BRANCHES AND STATIONS.

To the Librarian:

SERVICE OF THE BRANCHES AND STATIONS FROM THE CENTRAL LIBRARY.

The Daily Issue. — The issue of books from the Central Library on cards and slips to the branches and stations amounts for the year to 104,988 volumes, as against 94,808 volumes in 1899. The percentage of unsuccessful cards is 46 per cent. as against 44 per cent. in 1899. The percentage of fiction in the books issued is 81 per cent. The demand for fiction from the Central Library continues to grow and cannot be supplied. It is a matter of surprise that the disappointments are not greater in number, as much of the demand is for current fiction, and of this the supply of copies at the Central Library is very limited. With the growth of the stations the calls for books from the Central Library increase. In 1897 the applications (cards) were 98,601, in the year past 174,587.

Deposit Work. — From the Central Library, deposits are sent to sixty-four places, as against fifty-three last year, and the number of volumes now out on deposit is 9,354 as against 7,817 a year ago. The total number of volumes sent out during the year was 25,500 as against 22,502 in 1899. Forty-five per cent. of these books were fiction. The special deposits sent to the branches and stations for the use of schools have nearly doubled this year. They number 1,754 volumes, as against 883 volumes in 1899. In order to meet new demands the deposits sent from the Central Library to stations and schools have been supplemented more largely than before by deposits from the branches. The number of volumes sent from this source was 3,849.

The net gain in the deposit collection is 3,134 volumes. It now numbers 13,667 volumes, of which 60 per cent. are fiction and juveniles.

Notwithstanding the large additions of the year the deposit collection must continue to grow with the growth of the work. It is the reservoir of supply for all the outlying agencies of the Library, except the branches. In its use it

is the most popular sort of a collection, for its books circulate to the extent of perhaps 200,000 volumes, and are all on open shelves.

Work with Schools Including Work through the Branches. — There are now 21 schools supplied by the Library, as against 11 in 1899. This is nearly one-third of the public schools of the city, leaving out the primary and kindergarten schools; for the Library cannot as a rule attempt to deal with any grades below the seventh in the grammar schools.

Books for topical reference have been reserved for schools at the branches and stations, upon formal application from the teachers, to the number of 2,871 volumes.

The two city vacation schools and the playgrounds in the school yards were all supplied with deposits of books in the summer.

Coöperation. — A general scheme of coöperation between the Library and the School Department was outlined in 1895, but could not then be carried into effect for lack of funds. Therefore, when books were first sent directly to schools, in 1898, it was necessary to proceed experimentally, opening relations with individual schools one after another.

Having pursued this course for more than two years, it seemed proper to call the special attention of the School Department to what had been accomplished, as had been the intention of the Library from the beginning. The Superintendent responded heartily by appointing a committee on coöperation, which has already had several meetings, and a conference with the Library authorities. In accordance with the recommendation of the committee and the Superintendent, the School Committee has voted to guarantee once for all the safety of books sent by the Library to the schools. Another matter which has been agreed upon is the issue of a circular letter by the Superintendent to the teachers, calling attention to the various features of the work of the Library. Among these is a plan to take registrations for Library cards in every grammar and high school once a year. These have already been taken in several schools, but by doing so everywhere, it will be certain that all pupils in the City have had cards offered them.

Character of the Books. — The books which have been sent to the schools are not only those for topical reference, but miscellaneous reading, well selected and limited in kind. For it is quite as important to cultivate in pupils a taste for the best books, and to encourage an intelligent use of the Library, as to assist them directly in their studies. The 80,000 pupils in the Boston schools are the future adult con-

stituency of the Library, and they ought all to graduate from school into the position of card-holders and card-users for life. As to a division of the reading furnished by the Library and the supplementary reading supplied by the School Board, experience will doubtless lead to a decision. A distinction based not so much on the character of the books as the nature of their use, is a reasonable one — books used like text-books being furnished by the School Board in sets, as is done now, whatever their character.

BRANCHES.

This has been a year of some enlargement at the branches. More schools and other agencies have been supplied, more readers accommodated, and more books and cards issued than last year.

Reclassification. — Nine of the ten branches are now reclassified on a common system, and eight branches have complete card catalogues. The central union catalogue and shelf-list are approaching completion.

Consolidated Branch Finding List. — The public are learning slowly to use the card catalogues at the branches, but these can never take the place of printed lists. In 1898 and in 1899 there was published a union finding list of the books added to the branches during the year previous. Instead of a third annual list, a consolidated list, covering the three years from June 1, 1897, to August 1, 1900, was issued last September. It represents about 1,700 titles, and together with the selected list of books for younger readers, furnishes in printed form a considerable proportion of the titles which are most asked for.

Free Access to Books. — For structural reasons no large extension of open shelves has been possible this year, but in several branches bookcases have been built outside the enclosures, so that more books might be accessible to the public. In six of the ten branches all, or nearly all, of the shelves are open. There can be no doubt that the public is benefited by handling the books, and it appears that the Library administration has gone on at least as smoothly as before. The wear of the books is greater, but the loss is not alarming; for the total number of volumes missing is only eight more than last year in these six branches. The chief loss has been, as usual, from the juvenile collections, and not from the main body of shelves recently thrown open.

Circulation. — The total circulation of the branches is 673,053 volumes as against 638,804 volumes in 1899, a gain

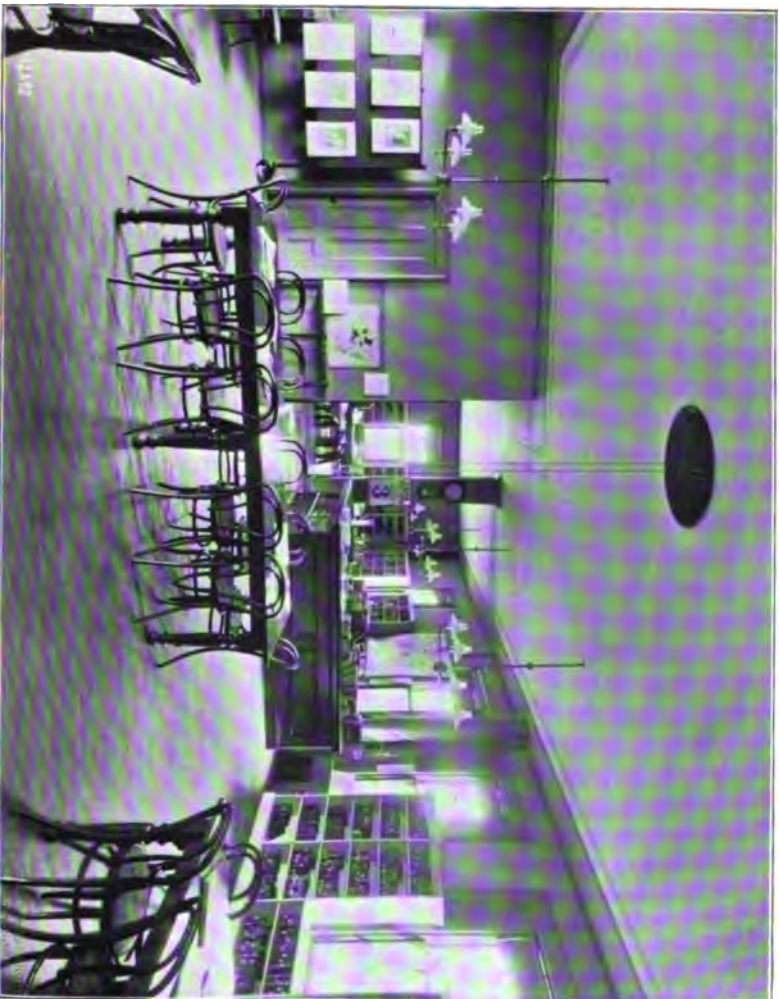
of 34,249 volumes, or $5\frac{3}{10}$ per cent. The total circulation of the branch system is 1,006,214 volumes, as against 922,624 in 1899. This constitutes three-quarters of the circulation of the Library. There has been a general increase in registrations for cards, and an increase in the use of reference books is reported from most branches. With so many open shelves the unrecorded use is large. From systematic observations made again this year it is probable that this use is nearly, if not quite, equal in amount to the home use.

In the month of November the custodians were asked to keep a classified record of the issue of non-fiction in order that it might be seen what reading was most in demand. From the reports it appeared that history led at six branches, and literature, including language, at four. Where literature led, history usually came second, and *vice versa*. Geography and travel, and biography came third and fourth, but with the order reversed at some branches, science was usually fifth, and then came fine arts, useful arts, etc. At one branch fine arts was second.

Books.—The number of new books bought for the branches during the year is 7,259; last year, 4,447. There was an unusual supply for Charlestown. Replacements numbered 1,779 volumes; in 1899, 1,672 volumes. Current fiction was bought to the extent of 1,940 volumes; in 1899, 1,394 volumes. The books bought for the branches include many simple books for topical reference, which are useful to pupils of the public schools, and some books of a more youthful character than were formerly supplied, which the practical reduction of the age-limit for cards has made necessary. Of reference books proper a large number were bought after a careful consideration of the needs of the branches. The reference collections are therefore in excellent condition. Children's reference libraries exist at some branches and should be at all.

Repairs and Improvements.—At the West End Branch a large children's room has been fitted up in the left gallery. The room is generally crowded with children, and the hall use of books has much increased. About 1,900 volumes have been placed here on open shelves, including the beginnings of a children's reference library. The main floor is thus relieved of the presence of children, and the capacity of the branch increased.

The building which the West Roxbury Branch occupies was thoroughly repaired last summer by the Department of Public Buildings. In coöperation with that department



INTERIOR OF THE WEST ROXBURY BRANCH (ENLARGED. SEPTEMBER, 1900).

the partition was removed between the branch quarters and a large room adjoining, and the whole second floor of the building remodelled and refurnished. Gas and steam heat were introduced. The quarters of the branch are now spacious, well lighted and heated, and really attractive. The extension made it possible to set apart a children's room. Four branches now have children's rooms, and three have a separate enclosure for children. In the Children's Room of the Brighton Branch there have been meetings of a Readers' Club, for those under sixteen years of age, formed by the Custodian with the object of encouraging the proper use of the Library. At Charlestown, Dorchester, Roxbury and South Boston considerable repairs have been made. At Brighton a granolithic drive and walk was laid at an expense of \$800, and the retaining wall of the lawn was rebuilt.

Advertising. — The branches and stations are advertised from time to time in various ways — by placards and circulars, by articles in the newspapers, metropolitan and suburban, and by personal effort, especially at the schools. This year, in addition to the usual means, a general card, suggested by the Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Branches of the Examining Committee, was prepared, and with his co-operation placed in the waiting rooms and car-houses of the Elevated Railway, the Western Union Telegraph offices, the engine-houses, the police stations, the public schools, and many other places. This card shows the location of all the branches and stations of the Library, and by underlining the name of a branch it becomes an advertisement of that one in particular. In this connection, articles upon the extent of the branch system were published in various newspapers.

DELIVERY STATIONS AND OTHER AGENCIES.

Stations, Enlargement and Improvement. — During the year one new station — a reading room — has been added, and two service stations, one of them a reading room, have taken the place of shop stations. There are now 20 stations, of which seven are reading rooms, as against five at the beginning of the year, and only nine shop stations, as against eleven at the beginning of the year.

The new station is Station Y, the Andrew Square Reading Room, the establishment of which was made possible by a special appropriation by the City Government of two thousand dollars. By permission of the School Committee, a room was fitted up in the basement of the John A. Andrew School-house, Dorchester street, South Boston, and the read-

ing room was opened on January 5. There are several periodicals and a collection of reference books at the station, in addition to deposits from the Central Library and the South Boston Branch. The circulation from January 5 to January 31 was 1,580 volumes, and the room was often crowded with readers. There is, therefore, no doubt that a reading room was needed in this district. This is the only station of the Library in a public school building, though two branches are so situated. There is both advantage and disadvantage in such a location.

A special appropriation of five thousand dollars was made by the City Government for the establishment of a reading room in Roslindale, where only a shop station existed. The new reading room was opened in roomy and attractive quarters in the Wise Building, Washington street, on December 29. It has nearly 2,000 volumes on the shelves, including deposits, and receives regularly twenty-eight periodicals. Notwithstanding the size of the room, there has not always been sufficient accommodation for readers, and the circulation for the month of January was 4,585 volumes, which is greater than that of some branches.

From considerations of location, Station N, 200 Blue Hill avenue, was discontinued on June 1. It was opened again, however, in August, at the corner of Dudley and Magazine streets, in consequence of an offer made by the Catholic Young Men's Association of St. Patrick's Church, to provide rooms, light, heat, and janitor service. The Library furnishes the custodian, the books and the transportation. The location is of the best, at the junction of several important thoroughfares, and within the limits of Ward 17, which was destitute of Library agencies. The use has been very satisfactory, rising to more than 2,400 volumes for one month.

Owing to a change of quarters by the Boys' Institute of Industry, Station S was removed to an adjacent building on the corner of Tremont and Ruggles streets. Here it occupies a store of large dimensions on the ground floor, leased by the Library. Many more readers can be accommodated than in the old quarters. The station is still in close touch with the Boys' Institute, and that institution provides for the janitor work and the heating. The reading room is often more than comfortably filled, and the circulation shows a substantial increase. The station has now larger opportunities, but it very much needs more books.

The use of Station W in the North End has increased, as is partly shown by the increase of 5,293 volumes in the



ROSLINDALE READING ROOM (OPENED, DEC. 29, 1900).

number of books issued, and the work done in interesting children has been remarkable.

The constituency of Station U, at Union Park street, is growing, and the issue of books for home use shows an increase of 5,000 volumes.

I called attention to the fact last year that Stations S, U, and W were successful instances of coöperation between the Library and other institutions, and Station N must now be added to this list. Probably no one of these stations could have been established had not the Trustees of the Library received an offer to share in the expense. The coöperation which was promised has been accompanied in every case by a continuous interest in the work, and it seems probable that the arrangement has been satisfactory to the givers as well as to the Library.

New or better provision for several parts of the City has thus been made during the year, but in order that no considerable district may be without a delivery station, if not a reading room, much remains to be done. Wards 1 and 19 are not provided for, and although Station N has been moved into Ward 17, there is a populous district lying between it and Station U which ought to have a station. The claims of Grove Hall are stronger since the removal of Station N. Codman square, Dorchester, is a centre of importance, where a reading room is very necessary. The locations of the delivery stations in Dorchester were chosen with reference to the steam railroads, and the changes produced by the electric railways make some readjustment desirable. Upham's Corner needs a reading room in place of its shop station; and there are other districts which have asked for consideration, and not wholly without reason.

Stations P (Broadway Extension) and S (Tremont street) have been open on Sunday as in past years, and have had an increased attendance and circulation. Other service stations might be opened on Sunday with advantage.

It has been arranged that the four shop stations G, M, R, and T, which are in drug stores, shall regularly issue books on Sunday.

The daily use of Station P, the Broadway Extension Reading Room, has so increased this year, especially on the part of men, that lack of space is a serious problem. Larger quarters are needed where the school children who come for reference work will not disturb the adult readers. ■

Deposits from the Central Library have been enlarged at stations A, H, K, M, N, Q, R, T, and W, and deposits have been sent for the first time from the Brighton Branch to

Station G, from Dorchester to Station A, and from the South Boston Branch to Stations M and Y.

A few reference books have been placed at the stations, but many more are needed. Every shop station should have at least a dictionary, encyclopædia, and atlas, while stations like N, S, U, and W should be supplied with a collection of 50 or 100 volumes. At the reading rooms additions to the existing sets of reference books are desirable.

Circulation. — The total circulation of the stations, schools, institutions and engine-houses is 338,246 volumes as against 289,315 volumes in 1899, a gain of seventeen per cent. Every station but one has increased in circulation.

Other Agencies. — Six engine-houses and ten schools have been added this year, and one institution, the Guild of St. Elizabeth, has received a deposit of 200 volumes. Books had previously been sent to the vacation school conducted by this guild, but the present deposit is a continuing one, and is kept at the guild house, 57 East Springfield street, where various clubs and industrial classes are conducted. The location is nearly midway between Station U and Station N, remote from either, and the books are thoroughly used. To the monthly delivery to the officers of the Long Island Almshouse are added books in raised type, for the blind among the inmates.

In the summer a special effort was made to give every vacation school of importance in the City an opportunity to receive books, and deposits were sent to 27 schools or playgrounds. It is believed that no important schools were overlooked, though a few did not need books.

Distribution of Periodicals. — The periodicals not needed for binding which have been distributed to City institutions number 17,552.

Respectfully submitted,

LANGDON L. WARD.

(C.)

DEATHS AND RESIGNATIONS, 1900-1901.

NAME.	Department.	Entered Service.	Discontinued.
Edward F. Barry	Bates Hall.....	March 28, 1890.	Died May 4, 1900.
Thomas H. Kenney...	Jamaica Plain Branch..	Nov. 5, 1897....	Resigned May 18, 1900.
Louise L. Desmond...	Issue	May 1, 1896....	Resigned July 5, 1900
Robert E. St. Louis...	Ordering	Jan. 4, 1897....	Died June 21, 1900.
Margaret D. Whitney.	Special Libraries	Oct. 24, 1898....	Resigned June 22, 1900.
John L. McKiernan...	Issue.....	Oct. 10, 1896....	Resigned July 4, 1900.
Otto E. Zaugg.....	Bates Hall.....	April 23, 1896..	Resigned Aug. 1, 1900.
James L. Maguinness.	Periodical.	Jan. 22, 1897...	Resigned Aug. 15, 1900.
Clyde Therrien.....	Special Libraries	Oct. 28, 1899....	Resigned Aug. 30, 1900.
Samuel Chavies.....	Janitor.....	Jan. 27, 1899....	Resigned Sept. 12, 1900.
Arthur E. F. Smith ...	Ordering.....	March 26, 1897.	Resigned Oct. 15, 1900.
Robert J. Doherty	Periodical.....	Nov. 12, 1900...	Resigned Dec. 25, 1900.
Alice F. Sumner	South Boston Branch...	Nov. 4, 1897....	Resigned Dec. 24, 1900.
Louise Imogen Guiney	Catalogue.....	June 1, 1900....	Resigned Dec. 28, 1900.
Joseph A. Lucid.....	Issue.....	Sept. 3, 1896....	Resigned Jan. 30, 1901.

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE
FOR 1900-1901.

To the Trustees of the Boston Public Library:

GENTLEMEN,—The Examining Committee for the year 1900-1901 met on May 18, 1900, and organized by the choice of Samuel Wells as chairman, and Mrs. Mary E. Blake as secretary. At the request of the committee, the chairman appointed the following sub-committees:

On Administration.

Samuel Wells,	Francis H. Brown,
William F. Apthorp,	Mrs. Darwin E. Ware.
James C. Davis,	

On Books.

Mrs. Mary E. Blake,	Charles F. Donnelly,
Rev. G. A. Gordon, D.D.,	Rev. Edward A. Horton,
Miss Sarah Orne Jewett,	John Noble.

On Branches and New Modes of Distribution.

William L. Parker,	Very Rev. William Byrne,
James W. Dunphy,	Hon. Joseph D. Fallon,
Rev. Robert F. Johnson,	Mrs. Henry H. Sprague,
Miss Frances Turner.	

On Catalogues, Bulletins and Finding Lists.

George Putnam,	Thomas M. Babson,
Mrs. William C. Collar,	James W. Dunphy,
Thomas J. Gargan,	Frank S. Mason.

On Finance.

Francis L. Higginson,	James C. Davis,
Henry R. Reed,	William L. Parker,
Horace G. Wadlin.	

On Printing and Binding.

D. Berkeley Updike,	John H. Colby,
Rev. W. Dewees Roberts,	Miss Maria E. Wood.

These sub-committees held frequent meetings and carefully considered the subjects especially referred to them, and through the chairman of each sub-committee, made separate reports to the general committee.

The Committee on Books recommends an increase in the department of French literature, and the addition of important editions now lacking. It advises for the better equipment of this collection, that a new list be made, the present one being dated 1892, and that the numbers be re-examined and rearranged so that such books can be made more available.

They find the present collection of books in the Spanish language unsatisfactory and insufficient, and think that an attempt should be made to meet the growing demand for works which will afford information upon the history and political condition of Spain and her colonies, matters which, owing to our recent national experiences, are of increasing interest to the public. They advise an increase in reference books of travel for the information of individuals planning journeys, and a more complete collection of the Baedeker guide-books, now recognized as standard authorities.

They also recommend attention to publications relating to public and private transactions in American life, which in the future will prove valuable to the historian studying the domestic, social, and religious life of the past.

They repeat the request made in the past year by the Trustees for an increase in the appropriation for the bindery, as suitably bound books can be circulated with greater readiness and safety than those unbound, or badly bound.

They fully endorse the position heretofore taken by the Trustees that the fines collected for the retention of books overtime should be used for the benefit of the Library, and call attention to the fact that from this source during the past year \$5,000 was paid into the general fund of the City Treasury, which should have been available for the repair of old books or the purchase of new ones.

They call attention to the accumulation of books of fiction on account of the purchase of large numbers of each new novel to meet a temporary demand due to a desire for novelty and the gratification of curiosity. A very large number of such books having met a fleeting demand, now occupy space that can be more usefully employed. The committee noticed, as an example, more than thirty copies of one of the novels of Dumas resting in an alcove of retired books.

The Committee on Catalogues, Bulletins and Printing recommends the substitution of a drawer with a single rod for the double rod system now used in the card catalogues, believing that the convenience and durability of such a system would shortly make it less expensive than the present method. Another desired improvement is the introduction into the official card catalogue of all the titles in the old printed catalogues; this is being gradually accomplished, but it should be hastened to completion for the

benefit of the administration and the quick determination of the question whether a book offered for sale is not already in the Library.

The committee notices with praise as a cataloguing work the annual catalogues of additions compiled from the monthly bulletins, but doubts whether it is of sufficient general usefulness to warrant the large expense of its publication.

The Committee on Branches and Distribution of Books, after a careful examination of the several branches and stations, advises that they should be kept open until 10 o'clock in the evening on week days and during a portion of Sunday.

They suggest that the question of fines should be considered with a view to greater liberality, as they have ascertained that in several districts parents have refused to permit their children to take out cards from fear of fines. The work of the Branch Department in connection with the Public Schools is growing in importance, and this work should be encouraged. They find need of more room in the East Boston and Dorchester Branches, and consider that the accommodations in the Charlestown and South End Branches are inadequate. All the branches and stations are, however, in excellent condition, and the custodians are competent and able.

The Committee on Administration notes with satisfaction the increase in the distribution of books due to the establishment of new branches and stations, by which the usefulness of the Library is greatly improved and expanded, much to the advantage of pupils in the Public Schools. These pupils and their teachers have derived real benefit from the use of a large room especially arranged for them. The Lecture room has also extended their opportunities for education by giving them the privilege of hearing lectures illustrated by books, engravings and photographs.

The method of appointment in case of vacancies in the force of assistants is approved by this committee. Positions in the service of the Library are much sought for, and the number of applications is large. All candidates are obliged to file applications for the position desired and to submit to a written examination. The questions used for this purpose have been considered by the committee and found well adapted to disclose the educational qualifications of the applicant.

The Committee on Finance makes the following recommendation with reference to branch libraries at Charlestown and East Boston:

"Your committee does, however, warmly recommend that if any appropriation be made for such branches, that the said appropriation be placed in the hands of the Trustees of the Public Library for them to use according to their best judgment. In this way better sites and more conveniently arranged buildings could undoubtedly be obtained at less cost to the City than by any other method."

The Committee on Printing and Binding made a careful examination of the conditions governing this department. They find

that the work being done by the linotypes in making catalogues is not progressing as rapidly as it should, the catalogue cards being 10,000 behind on current books, and the Allen A. Brown Music Library has still 20,000 cards to be printed.

They advise the immediate cataloguing of current books in order that the public may be efficiently served, also an increase in the facilities of this department. To accomplish this purpose they recommend the purchase of a new linotype and the employment of a workman to operate it.

They find the bindery in admirable working order and have no recommendations to make in regard to it.

They desire to acknowledge the extreme courtesy and attention with which their investigations were met.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Examining Committee.

(Signed) SAMUEL WELLS,

Chairman.

MARY ELIZABETH BLAKE,

Secretary.

APPENDIXES.

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APPENDIX I.

FINANCE.

BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY,
AUDITING DEPARTMENT, February 1, 1901.

To the Trustees:

GENTLEMEN,—The undersigned herewith presents a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Library Department for the financial year beginning February 1, 1900, and ending January 31, 1901; also, a statement concerning the trust and other funds, statements covering special appropriations, and a statement of expenditures on account of the branches for the twelve years ending 1900-1901.

Respectfully,

A. A. NICHOLS,

Auditor.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation, 1900-1901	\$290,766 10	
Income from trust funds:		
Balance from 1899-1900	\$6,156 10	
During the year	11,691 29	
		17,847 39
London accounts:		
Balance in hands of J. S. Morgan & Co., February 1, 1900:		
Trust funds income	\$10,579 13	
City appropriation	9,461 22	
During the year	1,500 00	
Interest	455 09	
		\$21,995 44
Balance in hands of Baring Bros. & Co.	72 75	
		22,068 19
Gifts:		
From Godfrey M. Hyams, unexpended February 1, 1900	\$28 74	
Carried forward	\$28 74	\$330,681 68

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$28 74	\$330,681 68
From J. W. Dunphy, unexpended		
February 1, 1900	15 68	
From Boston Numismatic Society,		
unexpended February 1, 1900 . .	216 60	
From Lilian Whiting, unexpended		
February 1, 1900	2 00	
From Elizabeth Lewis,		
unexpended February		
1, 1900	\$0 01	
During the year	200 00	
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	200 01	
From Andrew Carnegie	100 00	
From Old South Society	15 00	
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		578 03
Exchange account:		
Lost books, sales of duplicates, etc.:		
Balance from 1899-1900	\$1,569 85	
During the year	283 90	
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		1,853 75
Interest on bank deposit		1,739 78
		<hr/>
		\$334,853 24

EXPENDITURES.

General Library accounts, including the cost of
maintaining branches:

Salaries:

General administration	\$141,201 87
Sunday and evening	
force	18,400 37
	<hr/>
	\$159,602 24

Books:

City appro-
priation, \$19,178 03

City appro-
priation,
London
account, 3,264 64

Periodi-
cals,
London
account, 5 00

\$22,447 67

Trust funds income,
including London
account

12,539 96

34,987 63

Carried forward \$194,589 87 \$334,853 24

<i>Brought forward</i>	.	.	.	\$194,589 87	\$334,853 24
Newspapers :					
Todd fund	.	.	.	2,108 30	
Periodicals	.	.	.	5,597 79	
Binding :					
Salaries	.	.	\$14,880 47		
Stock	.	.	2,282 57		
Equipment	.	.	118 80		
Contract work	.	.	11,393 92		
“ (British patent specifications.)	.	.	197 58		
				28,823 34	
Printing :					
Salaries	.	.	\$5,005 54		
Stock	.	.	2,237 96		
Equipment	.	.	299 10		
Contract work	.	.	1,046 78		
				8,589 38	
Furniture and fixtures	.	.		11,837 47	
Gas	.	.		1,568 70	
Electric lighting	.	.		2,393 13	
Cleaning	.	.		7,333 78	
Small supplies	.	.		2,495 63	
Stationery	.	.		2,434 95	
Rent of branches and reading-rooms	.	.		5,215 01	
Fuel	.	.		11,899 32	
Repairs	.	.		10,964 01	
Freights and cartage	.	.		1,153 74	
Transportation between Central Library, branches and delivery stations	.	.		3,488 63	
Delivery stations, rent and services	.	.		4,184 51	
Water-rates	.	.		481 60	
Telephone service	.	.		256 20	
Postage and telegrams	.	.		1,171 85	
Typewriting	.	.		7 80	
Travelling expenses	.	.		451 45	
Grounds	.	.		8 12	
Stereopticon	.	.		293 00	
Stenographic report of lectures, etc.	.	.		29 00	
Premium on surety bond	.	.		5 00	
Remittance to J. S. Morgan & Co., London	.	.		1,500 00	
Books : Boston Numismatic Society gift	.	.	\$88 97		
Books : J. W. Dunphy gift,	.	.	3 46		
Books : Godfrey M. Hyams gift	.	.	28 74		
Books : Elizabeth Lewis gift,	.	.	80 45		
Books : Andrew Carnegie gift	.	.	86 14		
<i>Carried forward,</i>			\$287 76	\$308,881 58	\$334,853 24

<i>Brought forward</i>	.	\$287 76	\$308,881 58	\$334,853 24
Books: Old South Church				
Society gift	.	15 00		
Lilian Whiting gift	.	2 00		
		<hr/>	304 76	
			<hr/>	309,186 34
Balance	.	.	.	<u>\$25,666 90</u>

The balance is made up of the following items, viz.:

Cash in City Treasury:				
Income from Trust funds	.	.	.	\$7,559 69
Cash on deposit in London:				
In hands of J. S. Morgan & Co.:				
Trust funds	.	\$6,481 05		
General funds	.	7,686 61		
		<hr/>	\$14,167 66	
In hands of Baring Bros. & Co.:				
General funds	.	.	72 75	
			<hr/>	14,240 41
Cash on deposit with New England Trust Co., and on hand:				
Unexpended of donations carried to account of 1901-1902:				
Boston Numismatic Society	.	\$127 63		
J. W. Dunphy	.	12 22		
Elizabeth Lewis	.	119 56		
Andrew Carnegie	.	13 86		
		<hr/>	273 27	
Exchange account: lost books, etc.	.	.	1,853 75	
Interest on bank deposit	.	.	1,739 78	
			<hr/>	<u>\$25,666 90</u>

GENERAL APPROPRIATION.

Comparative Statement for Fiscal Years ending January 31, 1899, 1900 and 1901.

	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.
Salaries: General administration.....	\$128,109 74	\$133,886 00	\$141,301 87
" Sunday and evening force.....	17,166 98	18,542 37	18,400 87
Binding: Salaries.....	12,607 57	13,213 02	14,890 47
" Stock.....	1,499 48	1,715 99	2,282 57
" Contract work.....	2,918 46	2,752 46	11,398 92
" Equipment.....	419 66	55 27	118 80
Books.....	14,138 45	12,691 00	19,178 08
Periodicals.....	5,896 24	5,819 40	5,597 79
Furniture and fixtures.....	5,981 74	8,960 68	11,837 47
Gas.....	1,825 14	1,464 30	1,568 70
Electric lighting.....	1,988 74	2,182 92	2,398 18
Supplies.....	2,416 13	1,620 44	2,484 00
Cleaning.....	7,404 85	7,121 56	7,333 78
Printing: Equipment.....	1,088 02	1,025 62	299 10
" Stock.....	2,601 24	2,000 04	2,237 96
" Contract work.....	1,547 31	1,196 57	1,046 78
" Salaries.....	4,806 19	4,783 49	5,005 54
Stationery.....	2,023 91	1,855 90	2,434 96
Typewriting.....	261 83	228 05	7 80
Fuel.....	6,789 78	8,175 54	11,899 32
Rents.....	5,600 00	5,620 00	5,315 01
Repairs.....	7,079 41	5,354 68	10,964 01
Freights and cartage.....	751 66	802 88	1,153 74
Transportation between Central Library and branches.....	3,573 17	3,568 23	3,488 63
Delivery stations.....	4,030 40	4,025 24	4,184 51
Travelling expenses.....	436 90	443 28	451 45
Postage and telegrams.....	1,054 52	898 61	1,171 85
Water rates.....	1,718 60	1,914 86	481 60
Telephone service.....	334 60	348 67	256 20
Miscellaneous expense.....	300 00	675 27	338 25
Advertising.....	826 75	2 40	38
Insurance.....	135 00	.....	.....
Grounds.....	2 40	6 75	8 19
Remittance to J. S. Morgan & Co., London.....	.....	2,028 57	1,500 00
	\$246,555 87	\$255,000 00	\$290,766 10

The cost of maintaining the branches makes part of the general items of the several appropriations:

Cost of branches, 1898-99	\$59,913 71
" " 1899-1900	60,295 98
" " 1900-1901	72,428 91

The amount expended for newspapers, books and binding (not included above) paid from trust funds and City money in the hands of London bankers:

For 1898-99	\$8,782 84
" 1899-1900	8,604 35
" 1900-1901	7,527 78

The amount expended for books, newspapers and photographs (not included above), paid from trust funds in the hands of City Treasurer:

1898-99	\$8,371 41
1899-1900	8,370 66
1900-1901	10,267 70

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Library building, Dartmouth street, balance of appropriation, February 1, 1900	\$85,434 70
Payments on account:	
Architects' services, McKim, Mead and White	\$6,606 76
Statuary, Augustus Saint Gaudens	2,000 00
	<u>8,606 76</u>
. Balance, February 1, 1901	<u>\$76,827 94</u>

This balance will be required to settle outstanding contracts.

Library building, furnishing, balance of City appropriation February 1, 1900	<u>\$4,821 81</u>
Branch library, Broadway Extension, improvements, balance of appropriation February 1, 1900	\$3,010 92
Payments on account:	
Books	435 23
Balance February 1, 1901	<u>\$2,575 69</u>
Bust of Gen. Walker:	
Balance February 1, 1900	\$1,200 00
Payment:	
Richard Edwin Brooks	<u>1,200 00</u>

LONDON ACCOUNTS.

	Balances from 1899-1900.	Remittances and Interest 1900-1901.	Total Credits.	Expendi- tures, 1900-1901.	Balances to 1901-1902.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
J. S. Morgan & Co.,	4,118 12 11	308 6 6	4,520 12 3	1,612 6 5	2,908 5 10
J. S. Morgan & Co., interest.....	.....	98 12 10			
Baring Bros. & Co.,	15 0 0	.....	15 0 0	.....	15 0 0
	4,133 12 11	401 19 4	4,535 12 3	1,612 6 5	2,923 5 10

STATEMENT OF TRUST FUNDS.

GIVEN.	Principal.	Balance from 1864-1900.	Income, 1900-1901.	Total Credits to date.	Expenditures, 1900-1901.	Balance unexpended.	Over- expended.
1. Joshua Bates.....	\$50,000 00	\$579 98	\$2,000 00	\$2,579 98	\$1,900 51	\$679 42	
2. Jonathan Phillips.....	30,000 00	2,013 07	1,600 00	3,613 07	1,704 58	1,908 49	
3. Abbott Lawrence.....	10,000 00	686 24	600 00	1,286 24	578 01	710 23	
4. Charlotte Harris.....	10,000 00	4,218 18	400 00	4,618 18	629 54	3,988 64	
5. Henry L. Pierce.....	5,000 00	380 16	200 00	580 16	98 51	481 65	
6. Mary P. Townsend.....	4,000 00	646 02	140 00	786 02	851 02	.....	\$64 97
7. George Ticknor.....	4,000 00	248 45	160 00	408 45	160 71	247 74	
8. John P. Bigelow.....	1,000 00	197 37	40 00	237 37	55 54	181 83	
9. Franklin Club.....	1,000 00	149 25	40 00	189 25	4 23	185 02	
10. Samuel A. Green.....	2,000 00	290 52	95 00	385 52	161 55	223 97	
11. South Boston.....	100 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	* 23 03
12. Arthur Scholfield.....	50,000 00	.....	2,472 00	5,504 24	4,852 61	1,151 63	
13. Joseph Scholfield.....	11,800 00	3,082 34	.....	.....	.....	.....
14. Thomas B. Harris.....	1,000 00	201 85	40 00	241 85	65 93	175 92	
15. Daniel Treadwell.....	6,950 00	655 45	547 50	1,202 95	394 60	808 35	
16. Edward Lawrence.....	500 00	95 11	20 00	115 11	.....	115 11	
17. J. Ingensoll Bowditch.....	10,000 00	1,208 85	350 00	1,658 85	516 25	1,142 60	
18. Family of Charles Greely Loring.....	500 00	80 00	20 00	100 00	.....	100 00	

* Over-expenditure of previous years \$37.03, less amount of income for 1900.

STATEMENT OF TRUST FUNDS. — *Concluded.*

GIVER.	Principal.	Balances from 1889-1900.	Income, 1900-1901.	Total Credits to date.	Expenditures, 1900-1901.	Balances unexpended.	Over- expended.
19. Charles Mead.....	\$2,500 00	\$300 00	\$100 00	\$400 00	.....	\$400 00	
20. Victorine T. Arts.....	10,000 00	818 09	400 00	1,218 09	\$789 98	448 11	
21. Papyrus Club.....	1,000 00	81 25	40 00	121 25	1 83	119 43	
22. Twentieth Regiment Association.....	5,000 00	289 43	200 00	439 43	263 80	175 63	
23. William C. Todd.....	50,000 00	.....	2,000 00	2,000 00	2,108 30	.....	*127 87
24. Caleb D. Bradlee.....	1,000 00	70 00	33 00	105 00	.....	105 00	
25. Friends of Henry Sargent Codman (Me- morial Fund).....	2,800 00	41 29	93 00	139 29	37 77	101 52	
26. Daniel S. Ford.....	6,000 00	.....	89 79	89 79	.....	89 79	
	\$276,150 00	\$16,313 78	\$11,691 29	\$28,000 07	\$14,648 26	\$13,025 08	\$215 87

*Includes over-expenditure of previous year, \$19.57.

GENERAL EXHIBIT OF APPROPRIATIONS, SOURCES OF REVENUE AND OTHER FUNDS.

	Balances from 1899-1900.	Revenue Received during the Year 1900-1901.	Appropriation.	Total Credits.	Expenditures for 1900-1901.	Balances to 1901-1902.
Library building, Dartmouth street.....	\$85,434 70	.....	.....	\$85,434 70	\$8,606 76	\$76,827 94
Library building, furnishing.....	4,321 81	.....	.....	4,321 81	* 290,766 10	4,321 81
General Library.....	.....	.....	\$290,766 10	290,766 10	10,287 70	7,569 69
Trust funds income.....	6,156 10	11,691 29	.....	17,847 39	435 23	2,575 68
Branch Library, Broadway Extension, Improvements.....	8,010 92	.....	.....	3,016 92	.....	1,953 75
Bust of General Walker.....	1,200 00	.....	.....	1,200 00	.....	119 56
Exchange account: lost books, sales of duplicates, etc., Elizabeth Lewis.....	1,569 85	283 90	.....	1,853 75	.....	127 63
Boston Numismatic Society.....	216 60	200 01	.....	200 01	80 45	13 22
Lillian Whiting.....	2 00	.....	.....	2 00	88 97	.....
J. W. Dunphy gift.....	15 68	.....	.....	15 68	3 46	.....
Godfrey M. Hyams gift.....	28 74	.....	.....	28 74	28 74	.....
Godman memorial fund.....	† 2 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....
Andrew Carnegie.....	.....	100 00	.....	100 00	86 14	13 86
Old South Church Society.....	.....	15 00	.....	15 00	15 00	.....
J. S. Morgan & Co. (Trust funds).....	10,579 13	263 48	.....	10,841 61	4,360 56	6,481 05
J. S. Morgan & Co. (General funds).....	9,461 23	1,692 61	.....	11,153 83	3,467 23	7,686 61

* This amount includes the sum of \$1,500 transmitted to J. S. Morgan & Co., December, 1900.

† This amount was paid to the City Treasurer for investment.

RECEIPTS FROM FINES, SALES OF CATALOGUES, LOST CARDS, ETC.

	1900-1901.
Fines.....	\$4,631 45
Catalogues.....	276 53
Lost cards.....	65 85
Auction sales.....	11 67
Pay telephone station, commission.....	18 24
Money found.....	1 88
Total amount paid to City Collector.....	\$4,985 71

LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS.

BIGELOW FUND. — This is a gift from the late JOHN P. BIGELOW of Boston, in August, 1850, when Mayor of the City.

The income from this fund is to be appropriated to the purchase of books for the increase of the Library.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$1,000 00

Payable to the Chairman of the Committee on the Public Library for the time being.

BATES FUND. — This is a gift from the late JOSHUA BATES of London, in March, 1853.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$50,000 00

“ The income only of this fund is to be, each and every year, expended in the purchase of such books of permanent value and authority as may be found most needful and most useful.” Payable to the Mayor of the City for the time being.

BOWDITCH FUND. — This is the bequest of J. INGERSOLL BOWDITCH of Boston. Received January, 1890.

Invested in one City of Boston Three and one-half per cent. Bond, for \$10,000 00

The whole income in each and every year to be expended in the purchase of books of permanent value and authority in mathematics and astronomy.

PHILLIPS FUND. — This is a gift from the late JONATHAN PHILLIPS of Boston, in April, 1853.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$10,000 00

The interest on this fund is to be used exclusively for the purchase of books for said Library.

Also a bequest in his will, dated September 20, 1849.

Invested in one City of Boston Six per cent. Bond, for . . . \$20,000 00

The interest on this fund is to be annually devoted to the maintenance of a Free Public Library.

ABBOTT LAWRENCE FUND. — This is the bequest of ABBOTT LAWRENCE of Boston. Received May, 1860.

Invested in one City of Boston Six per cent. Bond, for . . . \$10,000 00

The interest on this fund is to be exclusively appropriated for the purchase of books for the said Library, having a permanent value.

EDWARD LAWRENCE FUND. — This is the bequest of EDWARD LAWRENCE of Charlestown. Received May, 1886. The following clause from his will explains its purpose:

“ To hold and apply the income, and so much of the principal as they may choose, to the purchase of special books of reference to be kept and used only at the Charlestown Branch of said Public Library.”

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$500 00

PIERCE FUND.—This is a gift from HENRY L. PIERCE, Mayor of the City, November 29, 1873, and accepted by the City Council, December 27, 1873.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$5,000 00

TOWNSEND FUND.—This is a gift from William Minot and William Minot, Jr., executors of the will of MARY P. TOWNSEND, of Boston, at whose disposal she left a certain portion of her estate in trust, for such charitable and public institutions as they may think meritorious. Said executors accordingly selected the Public Library of the City of Boston as one of such institutions, and attached the following conditions to the legacy: "The income only shall, in each and every year, be expended in the purchase of books for the use of the Library; each of which books shall have been published in some one edition at least five years at the time it may be so purchased." Received April, 1879.

Invested in one City of Boston Three and one-half per cent.

Bond, for \$4,000 00

TICKNOR BEQUEST.—By the will of the late GEORGE TICKNOR, of Boston, he gave to the City of Boston, on the death of his wife, all his books and manuscripts, in the Spanish and Portuguese languages, about four thousand volumes, and also the sum of four thousand dollars. After the receipt of said sum, the City is required to spend not less than one thousand dollars in every five years during the twenty-five years next succeeding (i.e., the income of four thousand dollars, at the rate of five per cent. per annum), in the purchase of books in the Spanish and Portuguese languages and literature, five years old in some one edition. At the end of twenty-five years the income of said sum is to be expended annually in the purchase of books of permanent value, either in the Spanish or Portuguese language, or in such other languages as may be deemed expedient by those having charge of the Library. These books bequeathed or purchased are always to be freely accessible for reference or study, but are not to be loaned for use outside of the Library building. If these bequests are not accepted by the City, and the trusts and conditions faithfully executed, the books, manuscripts and money are to be given to the President and Fellows of Harvard College.

In order that the City might receive the immediate benefit of this contribution, Anna Ticknor, widow of Mr. Ticknor, relinquished her right to retain during her life the books and manuscripts, and placed them under the control of the City, the City Council having previously accepted the bequests in accordance with the terms and conditions of said will, and the Trustees of the Public Library received said bequests on behalf of the City, and made suitable arrangements for the care and custody of the books and manuscripts. Received April, 1871.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$4,000 00

FRANKLIN CLUB FUND.—This is a gift made in June, 1863, by a literary association of young men in Boston, who, at the dissolution of the association, authorized its trustees, Thomas Minns, John J. French and J. Franklin Reed, to dispose of the funds on hand in such a manner as to them should seem judicious. They elected to bestow it on the Public Library, attaching to it the following conditions: "In trust that the income, but the income only, shall, year by year, be expended in the purchase of books of permanent value for the use of the free Public Library of the City, and as far as practicable, of such a character as to be of special interest to young men." The Trustees expressed a preference for books relative to Government and Political Economy Received June, 1863.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$1,000 00

The City Council have accepted said bequest, and authorized the Trustees of the Public Library to receive the same, and to invest it in the City of Boston Bonds, the income of which is to be expended by said trustees, in such manner as they may deem for the best interests of the Library.

Invested in the City of Boston Four per cent. Bonds, for	\$5,550 00
Invested in the City of Boston Three and one-half per cent. Bonds, for	1,400 00
Invested in 16 shares Boston & Albany R.R. Co. stock, par value \$100 each	1,600 00
Invested in 6 shares Boston & Providence R.R. Co. stock, par value \$100 each	600 00
Invested in 12 shares Fitchburg R.R. Co., stock par value \$100 each	1,200 00
Invested in 1 share Vermont & Massachusetts R.R. Co. stock, par value \$100 each	100 00
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	\$10,450 00

"I give to the Charlestown Public Library \$10,000 to be invested on interest, which interest is to be applied to the purchase of books published before 1850. I also give to said Public Library my own private library, and the portrait of my grandfather, Richard Devens." Bequest accepted by City Council, July 31, 1877.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for	\$10,000 00
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Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for	\$1,000 00
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Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for	\$50,000 00
" " " " " "	11,800 00

\$61,800 00

Invested in one City of Boston Five per cent. Bond, for	\$1,000 00
Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for	500 00
" " " " three " " "	500 00

\$2,000 00

SOUTH BOSTON BRANCH LIBRARY TRUST FUND. — Gift of a citizen of South Boston, the income of which is to be expended for the benefit of the South Boston Branch Library. Received September, 1879.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . \$100 00

CHARLES GREELY LORING MEMORIAL FUND. — This is a gift from the family of Charles Greely Loring, the income of which is to be expended for the purchase of books for the West End Branch. Received January, 1896.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . \$500 00

CHARLES MEAD PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUND. — Received from Charles Mead, executor of the estate of Charles Mead, the amount of legacy of the late Charles Mead, to constitute the "CHARLES MEAD PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUND," for the promotion of the objects of the Public Library, in such manner as the government of said Library shall deem best, and so far as the government shall deem consistent with the objects of the Library, to be used for the benefit of the South Boston Branch Library. Received October, 1896.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . \$2,500 00

ARTZ FUND. — This is a gift made in November, 1896, by Miss VICTORINE THOMAS ARTZ of Chicago; the income "to be employed in the purchase of valuable rare editions of the writings, either in verse or prose, of American and of foreign authors." These books are to be known as the "Longfellow Memorial Collection."

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . \$10,000 00

JOHN BOYLE O'REILLY MEMORIAL FUND. — This fund was received from the members of the Papyrus Club, May, 1897. The income thereof is to be expended for the purchase of books in memory of their late member, JOHN BOYLE O'REILLY.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . \$1,000 00

TWENTIETH REGIMENT MEMORIAL FUND. — This is a gift made in April, 1897, by the Association of Officers of the Twentieth Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. It is to be used for the purchase of books of a military and patriotic character, to be placed in the alcove appropriated as a Memorial of the Twentieth Regiment.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . \$5,000 00

TODD FUND. — This is a gift made in October, 1897, by WILLIAM C. TODD of Atkinson, New Hampshire. The income is to be expended annually in payment for such current newspapers of this and other countries as the board of officers for the time being having charge of the Public Library of the City of Boston shall purchase.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . \$50,000 00

BRADLEE FUND. — A bequest of the Rev. CALEB DAVIS BRADLEE, D.D., of Boston, to the Boston Public Library. Received November, 1897.

Invested in one City of Boston Three and one-half per cent.
Bond \$1,000 00

HENRY SARGENT CODMAN MEMORIAL FUND.—This is a contribution from the friends of the late Henry Sargent Codman, to be used to perpetuate the memory of Mr. Codman by the purchase of books upon landscape gardening. Received January, 1898.

Invested in one City of Boston Three and one-half per cent.

Bond	\$2,800 00
Cash in City Treasury, January 31, 1901	54 41
	<u>\$2,854 41</u>

FORD FUND.—A bequest of Daniel Sharp Ford to the Public Library of the City of Boston. Received June, 1900.

Invested in one City of Boston Three per cent. Bond for \$6,000 00

RECAPITULATION OF PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS.

Scholfield Fund	\$61,800 00
Bates Fund	50,000 00
Todd Fund	50,000 00
Phillips Fund	20,000 00
Phillips Fund	10,000 00
Bowditch Fund	10,000 00
Charlotte Harris Fund	10,000 00
Abbott Lawrence Fund	10,000 00
Treadwell Fund	10,487 89
Artz Fund	10,000 00
Twentieth Regiment Memorial Fund	5,000 00
Pierce Fund	5,000 00
Townsend Fund	4,000 00
Ticknor Fund	4,000 00
Charles Mead Fund	2,500 00
Green Fund	2,000 00
Bigelow Fund	1,000 00
Thomas B. Harris Fund	1,000 00
Franklin Club Fund	1,000 00
John Boyle O'Reilly Memorial Fund	1,000 00
Bradlee Fund	1,000 00
Edward Lawrence Fund	500 00
Charles Greely Loring Memorial Fund	500 00
South Boston Branch Library Trust Fund	100 00
Codman Memorial Fund	2,854 41
Ford Fund	6,000 00
	<u>\$279,742 10</u>

1. The first part of the document is a list of names and addresses of the members of the committee.

EXPENDITURES FOR BRANCHES AND DELIVERY STATIONS, 1889-1901.

	1889-90.	1890-91.	1891-92. (9 mos.)	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.
EAST BOSTON.												
Salaries.....	\$2,649 15	\$2,643 83	\$1,278 10	\$2,538 49	\$2,535 31	\$2,814 03	\$2,891 92	\$2,849 07	\$3,089 05		\$3,256 21	\$3,383 69
Books.....	338 23	255 55	417 08	513 79	359 85	843 14	990 38	763 00	846 61		1,016 76	1,122 47
Expense.....	433 02	939 90	604 96	757 03	621 15	609 45	709 53	713 06	843 69		735 74	802 54
	\$3,470 39	\$3,839 28	\$2,300 74	\$3,809 33	\$3,516 31	\$4,366 27	\$4,521 83	\$4,325 13	\$4,739 35		\$4,863 71	\$5,278 70
SOUTH BOSTON.												
Salaries.....	\$3,037 13	\$2,904 00	\$2,306 95	\$2,369 11	\$3,271 93	\$3,249 45	\$3,496 40	\$3,623 70	\$3,631 64		\$3,913 43	\$3,991 71
Books.....	642 06	448 46	707 85	783 56	771 37	893 76	1,319 38	573 83	876 70		863 98	1,037 73
Expense.....	2,748 16	3,173 57	3,102 20	3,004 57	3,143 36	3,694 76	3,804 63	3,173 35	3,102 49		3,135 78	2,868 11
	\$6,447 37	\$6,526 03	\$6,117 00	\$7,237 34	\$7,185 06	\$7,773 96	\$8,132 41	\$7,378 37	\$7,609 83		\$7,897 94	\$7,907 55
ROXBURY.												
Salaries.....	\$3,336 47	\$3,104 69	\$2,301 35	\$3,332 30	\$3,332 55	\$3,161 55	\$3,447 72	\$3,475 98	\$3,339 47		\$3,573 40	\$3,668 76
* Books.....	457 84	453 94	442 75	774 26	494 49	658 42	1,333 09	436 75	9 05		10	5 22
Expense.....	2,434 61	2,725 27	2,675 43	2,310 20	2,937 53	3,006 12	2,678 90	2,971 12	2,745 09		2,675 95	2,615 49
	\$6,228 42	\$6,332 90	\$5,419 53	\$6,466 76	\$6,223 56	\$6,820 12	\$7,458 71	\$6,883 85	\$6,134 61		\$6,254 45	\$6,279 47
CHARLESTOWN.												
Salaries.....	\$2,623 67	\$2,738 52	\$1,950 18	\$2,608 83	\$2,301 90	\$2,397 53	\$3,008 51	\$2,845 23	\$2,809 99		\$3,394 55	\$3,575 55
Books.....	833 39	604 78	275 17	689 15	386 00	423 64	1,256 10	646 11	590 41		277 94	1,480 60
Expense.....	871 99	888 86	872 98	974 89	1,106 35	786 05	913 62	865 24	913 31		893 56	848 47
	\$4,079 05	\$4,213 16	\$3,198 23	\$4,273 87	\$3,693 25	\$3,605 57	\$4,147 06	\$4,346 57	\$4,243 71		\$4,476 06	\$5,894 62

* Books added to this branch paid for by the Trustees of the Fellowes Athenaeum are not included above.

EXPENDITURES FOR BRANCHES AND DELIVERY STATIONS. — Continued.

	1889-90.	1890-91.	1891-92. (9 mos.)	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.
BRIGHTON.												
Salaries	\$1,592 56	\$1,562 20	\$1,134 87	\$1,768 88	\$1,687 77	\$1,872 00	\$1,898 00	\$2,040 75	\$2,117 97	\$2,260 38	\$2,420 44	\$2,511 46
Books	188 53	96 44	214 44	172 61	126 80	254 54	741 00	1,068 73	752 22	545 46	638 01	940 98
Expense	983 55	1,202 97	1,111 39	778 21	1,048 23	584 80	592 89	1,218 05	844 74	1,966 18	608 08	1,714 58
	\$2,764 63	\$2,862 11	\$2,460 70	\$2,709 70	\$2,862 80	\$2,711 34	\$3,231 89	\$4,322 53	\$3,714 93	\$4,790 51	\$3,676 53	\$5,167 02
DORCHESTER.												
Salaries	\$2,944 51	\$2,120 31	\$1,627 12	\$1,983 46	\$1,918 94	\$2,067 41	\$2,211 16	\$2,691 33	\$2,683 31	\$2,767 01	\$2,728 22	\$3,006 95
Books	425 95	208 67	838 23	422 04	331 33	464 05	806 08	1,210 70	704 82	530 92	650 67	878 52
Expense	966 74	1,015 23	557 58	703 60	632 50	438 00	700 25	687 37	661 03	634 39	638 28	1,002 32
	\$3,737 20	\$3,433 21	\$2,971 17	\$3,068 10	\$2,882 77	\$3,019 46	\$3,717 44	\$4,089 60	\$4,059 21	\$3,933 32	\$4,046 78	\$4,886 79
SOUTH END.												
Salaries	\$2,246 81	\$2,186 75	\$1,544 40	\$2,361 93	\$1,860 33	\$2,127 27	\$2,289 76	\$2,344 25	\$2,332 67	\$3,405 67	\$2,505 83	\$2,647 16
Books	485 78	321 87	514 80	738 67	538 01	467 74	574 76	1,254 04	738 20	584 24	633 54	884 38
Expense	906 79	602 46	910 43	533 51	1,128 38	684 28	537 32	465 21	639 96	911 36	406 17	686 50
	\$3,639 38	\$3,111 08	\$2,969 63	\$3,619 11	\$3,526 32	\$3,279 29	\$3,351 84	\$4,063 00	\$3,780 83	\$3,851 27	\$3,545 04	\$4,214 99
JAMAICA PLAIN.												
Salaries	\$1,894 65	\$1,675 13	\$1,270 20	\$1,974 97	\$1,677 67	\$1,943 57	\$3,023 52	\$2,039 95	\$2,131 85	\$3,156 42	\$2,239 90	\$2,366 11
Books	365 57	374 06	569 54	667 88	363 37	849 96	723 53	1,174 27	763 37	605 53	609 10	836 95
Expense	864 67	838 17	774 14	795 11	1,022 75	839 10	702 25	896 25	841 20	837 94	759 09	894 24
	\$3,064 89	\$2,887 35	\$2,613 88	\$3,437 91	\$3,064 79	\$3,132 63	\$3,449 30	\$4,110 46	\$3,736 52	\$3,599 94	\$3,608 09	\$4,120 30

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NORTH END.													
Salaries.....	\$1,384 00	\$1,416 50	\$1,025 75	\$1,331 59	\$1,389 00	\$1,529 41	\$658 83 (6 mos.)						
Books.....	77 27	85 03	222 10	138 66	148 24	122 25	11 83						
Expense.....	1,154 80	1,028 64	1,290 02	665 59	722 02	618 19	419 59						
	\$2,515 87	\$2,527 17	\$2,537 87	\$2,125 75	\$2,259 26	\$2,269 85	\$1,059 80						
LOWER MILLS.													
Salaries.....	\$343 00	\$274 00	\$310 00	\$312 00	\$288 00	\$312 00	\$386 00	\$458 87	\$448 00	\$448 00	\$448 00	\$416 00	
Books and Periodicals.....	53 72	58 71	58 57	56 21	71 81	53 65	214 36	75 55	65 59	67 05	69 45	73 25	
Expense.....	207 32	205 25	263 20	254 46	573 74	480 25	318 38	395 22	256 28	427 24	305 31	315 38	
	\$704 04	\$631 96	\$631 77	\$622 67	\$832 55	\$825 90	\$968 74	\$924 44	\$769 87	\$942 29	\$823 66	\$504 63	
MATTAPAN.													
Salaries.....	\$120 00	\$25 00					\$305 86	\$424 17	\$448 00	\$448 00	\$448 00	\$448 00	
Books and Periodicals.....								264 98	77 25	81 15	69 45	73 25	
Expense.....	170 59	276 31	226 07	341 32	364 40	359 41	436 64	356 98	355 13	364 83	333 61	348 38	
	\$390 59	\$301 31	\$226 07	\$341 32	\$364 40	\$359 41	\$733 50	\$1,046 10	\$680 35	\$693 98	\$831 06	\$569 63	
NEPONSET.													
Salaries.....	\$120 00	\$100 00	\$87 56	\$130 00	\$97 50								
Expense.....	248 65	234 80	124 45	268 15	184 05	\$353 35	\$330 24	\$390 81	\$372 56	\$344 04	\$392 87	\$371 98	
	\$368 65	\$334 80	\$212 01	\$398 15	\$281 55	\$353 35	\$330 24	\$390 81	\$372 56	\$344 04	\$392 87	\$371 98	
ROSLINDALE.													
Salaries.....	\$84 00	\$45 46										\$66 00	
Expense.....	141 40	298 27	\$267 04	\$339 32	\$371 80	\$459 58	\$436 18	\$504 97	\$774 17	\$735 46	\$652 20	2,636 41	
	\$225 40	\$343 73	\$267 04	\$339 32	\$371 80	\$459 58	\$436 18	\$504 97	\$774 17	\$735 46	\$652 20	\$2,702 01	

EXPENDITURES FOR BRANCHES AND DELIVERY STATIONS. — Continued.

	1899-90.	1900-91.	1891-92. (9 mos.)	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.
WEST ROXBURY.												
Salaries	\$124 63	\$120 03	\$78 50	\$140 80	\$326 50	\$338 97	\$377 00	\$568 40	\$763 45	\$859 76	\$965 90	\$1,068 06
Books and Periodicals					35 00	17 60	454 20	1,352 19	267 94	133 76	245 08	458 22
Expense	89 05	75 60	84 25	206 37	323 63	264 58	359 69	431 56	470 31	419 77	340 08	1,263 27
	\$213 68	\$196 23	\$163 75	\$347 17	\$650 13	\$601 15	\$1,190 89	\$2,232 15	\$1,490 70	\$1,466 29	\$1,570 96	\$2,816 54
MOUNT BOWDOIN.												
Salaries	\$598 00	\$376 00	\$201 25	\$298 25	\$376 00	\$394 00	\$392 00	\$453 83	\$448 00	\$448 00	\$448 00	\$418 00
Periodicals	128 79	108 13	78 07	80 57	87 96	68 90	255 31	87 15	73 45	75 40	69 45	73 25
Expense	511 21	480 95	346 70	463 29	479 00	433 79	437 36	514 78	524 14	503 18	511 34	495 97
	\$1,238 00	\$965 07	\$626 02	\$841 11	\$943 96	\$786 99	\$1,004 67	\$1,066 31	\$1,045 59	\$1,026 58	\$1,028 79	\$986 23
ALLSTON.												
Salaries	\$235 30	\$48 00	\$276 30	\$330 60	\$335 90	\$381 21	\$405 03	\$468 56	\$510 47	\$467 60	\$473 48	\$440 23
Expense	114 16	286 46	\$276 30	\$330 60	\$335 90	\$381 21	\$405 03	\$468 56	\$510 47	\$467 60	\$473 48	\$440 23
	\$349 46	\$334 46	\$276 30	\$330 60	\$335 90	\$381 21	\$405 03	\$468 56	\$510 47	\$467 60	\$473 48	\$440 23
ASHMONT.												
Expense		\$220 44	\$133 47	\$242 71	\$279 16	\$371 48	\$359 00	\$386 88	\$383 91	\$461 09	\$469 74	\$479 75
DORCHESTER STATION.												
Expense		\$100 83	\$204 24	\$255 60	\$322 39	\$328 16	\$319 41	\$438 74	\$537 91	\$176 97	\$448 02	\$480 07
BIRD STREET.												
Expense				\$299 14	\$317 47	\$359 98	\$319 58	\$366 47	\$375 24	\$399 17	\$345 15	\$339 71

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EXPENDITURES FOR BRANCHES AND DELIVERY STATIONS. — *Concluded.*

	1899-90.	1890-91.	1891-92.	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.
WEST END.												
Salaries.....							\$329 32 (11 mos.)	\$4,462 30	\$4,622 82	\$4,300 66	\$4,726 80	\$5,062 24
Books.....							403 80	1,326 30	704 63	602 66	717 41	1,010 60
Expense.....							1 50	2,260 26	2,325 63	2,439 47	2,195 04	2,662 65
BROADWAY EXTENSION.							\$324 62	\$7,958 66	\$7,553 06	\$7,342 79	\$7,639 25	\$8,755 46
Salaries.....								\$183 00	\$528 93	\$560 15	\$558 16	\$906 17
Books and Periodicals.....								632 13	513 06	490 12	350 96	440 26
Expense.....								483 23	1,220 92	1,166 70	1,179 26	1,060 21
ROXBURY CROSSING.								\$1,318 86	\$2,369 91	\$2,334 97	* \$2,368 36	* \$3,466 61
Salaries.....										\$442 13	\$470 54	\$487 00
Expense.....									\$106 34 (11 mos.)	164 47	144 15	436 51
BOYLSTON STATION.										\$606 60	\$614 69	\$973 51
Expense.....									\$68 30 (3 mos.)	\$516 06	\$491 24	\$476 43
SCHOOL-HOUSES.												
Expense.....									\$47 52	\$36 25	\$36 24	\$18 37
ENGINE-HOUSES, ETC.												
Expense.....									\$71 41	\$38 10	\$37 62	\$105 79

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UNION PARK STREET.									
Salaries								\$48 75 (5 weeks) 26	\$539 50
Expense								\$49 01	\$680 57
INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.									
Expense									\$148 02
ANDREW SQUARE.									
Salaries									\$63 87
Books and Periodicals									268 54
Expense									1,418 15
									\$1,749 56
								\$60,446 39	\$60,741 89
									\$79,364 14

* This total covers the payments amounting to \$435.28 made from the special appropriation for "Broadway Extension Improvements."

APPENDIX III.

NET INCREASE OF THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS.

	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.
Bates Hall.....	15,806	16,499	20,498	32,491	} 11,821	20,273	26,579	20,680	21,937	23,049
Lower Hall.....	1's 23	818	loss 456	746						
Duplicate room	2,855	1's 9,143	loss 542	1's 8,056	313	2,890	8,608	2,063	6,994	8,008
Brighton branch	167	98	23	292	107	1,317	276	1's 3,190	471	135
Charlestown branch..	421	22	339	300	loss 16	1's 112	398	2,095	1's 13	1's 3,158
Dorchester branch...	222	209	134	358	loss 73	1,415	159	1's 1,402	514	585
East Boston branch..	59	5	48	126	112	1,021	147	1's 1,478	1's 255	495
Jamaica Plain branch	214	112	221	329	273	1,277	374	1's 1,286	29	467
¹ North End branch ..	324	84	75	63	1's 1,861	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roxbury branch	808	loss 352	147	382	48	1,202	1's 2,896	1's 1,628	1's 424	1's 324
Fellowes Athenæum	438	289	318	318	407	348	402	986	990	1,070
South Boston branch	200	51	55	401	loss 289	1,509	loss 69	113	1's 440	1's 118
South End branch....	365	loss 67	26	276	138	1,435	306	1's 683	1's 588	1's 505
West End branch .....	.....	.....	.....	1,897	6,522	1,555	385	466	498	721
W. Roxbury branch..	.....	.....	33	4	626	loss 8	185	169	199	414
Lower Mills reading room .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	85	3	.....	.....	.....	loss 1
Roslindale reading room .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,524
Mattapan reading room .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	73	24	1	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Bowdoin reading room .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	74	932	loss 30	16	.....	loss 5
North Brighton reading room .....	.....	8	.....	.....	74	loss 7	.....	1	loss 1	.....
Broadway Extension reading room.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	261	724	307	290	172	295
Roxbury Crossing delivery station.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	213	loss 5
Ward Nine delivery station.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	187	59
Andrew Square reading room .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	203
Total	20,256	8,638	20,915	29,927	15,695	35,698	35,129	17,162	30,333	34,994

¹ Collection transferred to West End branch.

PLACED ON THE SHELVES FEBRUARY 1, 1900, TO JANUARY 31, 1901.

	Placed on the shelves.	Condemned, missing, transferred.	Net gain.
Central Library	* 29,481	4,832	25,019
Central Library, Duplicate room.....	† 10,297	2,204	8,093
Brighton branch.....	967	832	135
Charlestown branch.....	1,582	* 4,740	loss, 3,158
Dorchester branch	924	339	585
East Boston branch.....	1,154	659	495
Jamaica Plain branch.....	818	351	467
Roxbury branch, City collection.....	15	339	loss, 324
Roxbury branch, Fellowes Athenæum..	1,188	113	1,070
South Boston branch.....	1,068	1,186	loss, 118
South End branch	833	1,338	loss, 505
West End branch	898	177	721
West Roxbury branch	442	28	414
Lower Mills reading room.....		1	loss, 1
Roslindale reading room.....	1,524		1,524
Mattapan reading room			
Mt. Bowdoin reading room		5	loss, 5
North Brighton reading room			
Broadway Extension reading room.....	435	140	295
Roxbury Crossing delivery station.....	7	12	loss, 5
Ward Nine delivery station.....	65	6	59
Andrew-square reading room.....	208		208
Total	51,846	16,852	34,994

* Includes 4,801 volumes, Harris collection, transferred to Central Library.

† Includes 9,838 volumes stored at various branches, properly belonging in the Duplicate room.

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VOLUMES IN THE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS.

	1882.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.
Patent library.....	3,142	4,385	4,551	5,181	5,783	5,971	6,327	6,666	7,045	7,373
Bowditch library.....	3,234	5,626	5,717	6,003	6,077	6,192	6,379	6,349	6,439	6,682
Parker library.....	12,803	14,116	14,116	13,819	13,820	13,945	13,848	13,864	13,965	13,866
Prince library.....	2,274	3,000	3,025	2,045	2,045	2,045	2,045	2,047	2,049	2,049
Ticknor library.....	5,403	6,016	6,096	6,086	6,149	6,165	6,173	6,209	6,224	6,374
Barton library.....	13,487	13,764	13,775	13,624	13,627	* 13,491	13,491	13,491	13,493	13,499
Franklin library.....	240	482	494	565	578	582	591	596	608	616
Thayer library.....	883	3,964	5,369	5,383	5,384	5,385	5,385	5,388	5,386	5,387
John A. Lewis library.....	.....	.....	621	679	679	679	679	681	681	682
Gilbert library.....	.....	420	420	422	422	422	422	422	422	422
Tost library (1889, 129 vols.).....	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	129	129
Hunt library (1877, 689 vols.).....	689	689	689	689	689	689	689	689	689	689
John Adams library.....	.....	.....	.....	2,819	2,819	2,819	2,819	2,819	2,819	* 3,019
Allen A. Brown library.....	.....	.....	.....	6,382	6,390	7,071	7,745	7,874	8,181	8,644
Chamberlain library.....	.....	.....	.....	150	150	150	150	150	150	150
Military library.....	.....	.....	.....	308	315	321	585	688	711	821
United States Congressional docs.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,629	3,763	3,884	4,043	4,187	4,422
Great Britain Parl. papers.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,476	6,584	6,698	6,703	6,910	6,928
Galatea library.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,194	1,369	1,569
Codman library.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	616	699	714
Artz library.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	624	680	888
Newspaper room.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,559	5,397	5,746
Browning collection.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	328	329	404
Statistical department.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	343	352	6,049
Charlotte Harris collection.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,301

* Actual enumeration of original Prince library. Account is now made elsewhere of additions purchased by the City for this collection.
 : There has been no loss in the Barton library, but a correction of an error of 186 previously made.
 : By recount.

APPENDIX V.

CLASSIFICATION.

* BRANCH LIBRARIES.

As Reported by Custodians of Branches, January 31, 1901.

	Brighton.	Dorchester.	East Boston.	Jamaica Plain.	South Boston.	South End.	West End.	West Roxbury.	Station P.
Reference books.....	369	504	405	487	421	365	512	168	34
Genealogy and heraldry.....	13	3	23	7	4	5	10	3	.....
Biography	1,336	1,350	1,076	1,210	1,183	1,376	1,199	409	66
History	1,376	1,278	1,162	1,070	1,216	1,109	1,140	403	105
Fine arts, archæology	263	290	243	302	341	272	245	75	17
Geography, travels	889	864	645	687	776	772	775	257	93
Language	84	69	55	88	57	62	123	12	5
Literature	1,577	1,323	1,362	1,170	1,127	1,372	1,198	454	68
Medicine, hygiene.....	84	66	85	65	108	98	66	19	.....
Natural science	488	346	295	370	396	370	513	106	58
Philosophy, ethics, education..	287	195	164	192	200	224	245	52	4
Religion, theology	280	185	154	185	237	210	825	46	2
Sociology	190	103	110	119	122	113	228	43	17
Law	16	5	15	7	21	14	6	.....	1
Useful and industrial arts.....	247	186	154	190	192	161	278	51	19
Amusements, games, sports...	75	67	68	71	69	74	69	14	6
Fiction	4,674	6,257	3,783	3,874	4,423	3,678	2,044	853	165
Books for the young.....	1,495	1,660	1,546	1,496	1,392	1,544	1,977	1,326	1,273
Bound periodicals.....	729	1,171	470	1,075	1,378	782	591	168	46
Unclassified.....	.....	570	239	327	691	215	.....	476	70
Total.....	14,492	16,512	12,054	12,992	14,354	12,816	12,044	4,935	2,049

* For the Charlestown and Roxbury Branches the figures of the re-classification are not yet completed.

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**CLASSIFICATION OF HOLDERS OF "LIVE CARDS,"
JANUARY 31, 1901.**

BY SEX AND OCCUPATION.

CLASSES.	ORDINARY.		Special cards.
	Permanent residents.	¹ Non-residents.	
MALES.			
Over 21 years of age.			
Professional classes	2,009	106	272
Teachers	390	152	28
Students	1,120	790	.....
Business men	7,311	62	32
Unemployed	1,740	254	.....
Laborers	380	.....	.....
Under 21 years of age.			
Clerks	1,190	32	.....
Office and errand boys	562	.....	.....
Unemployed	392	.....	.....
Pupils of Latin and High schools	1,090	8	.....
Pupils of Grammar schools	8,143	7	.....
Pupils of Grammar schools under 12 years ..	540	.....	.....
Other students	352	48	.....
FEMALES.			
Over 21 years of age.			
Professional classes	351	62	191
Teachers	1,618	126	43
Students	1,010	1,032	.....
Business women	4,306	94	.....
Married	7,994	68	.....
Single, unemployed	7,362	370	9
Under 21 years of age.			
Clerks	1,412	66	.....
Errand girls	470	.....	.....
Unemployed	1,008	61	.....
Pupils of Latin and High schools	1,280	18	.....
Pupils of Grammar schools	8,312	14	.....
Pupils of Grammar schools under 12 years ..	608	.....	.....
Other students	364	61	.....
Totals	61,534	3,431	575

¹ Including persons temporarily sojourning in Boston.

N.B. — Of the 2,280 teachers' cards issued prior to February 1, 1901, 1,092 are live cards; of these, 890 are held by permanent residents, in addition to their ordinary cards (not included in permanent residents' column above), and 272 are held by non-residents (which are included in non-residents' column above).

BY WARDS.

Ward No.	No. of card-holders	Population census of 1900	Percentage of card-holders.	Ward No.	No. of card-holders	Population census of 1900	Percentage of card-holders.
1..	1,388	22,832	.0605	14...	1,854	21,453	.0864
2..	1,056	22,924	.0460	15...	1,700	19,700	.0893
3..	972	14,564	.0667	16...	1,714	20,017	.0856
4..	728	13,248	.0545	17...	1,906	25,038	.0762
5..	906	12,840	.0705	18...	1,966	22,401	.0877
6..	1,534	30,546	.0502	19...	1,987	27,173	.0731
7..	1,416	14,782	.0957	20...	3,810	32,556	.1170
8..	3,617	23,517	.1255	21...	4,122	23,868	.1726
9..	2,808	24,588	.1140	22...	2,604	25,610	.1016
10..	3,608	22,142	.3887	23...	2,709	23,637	.1103
11..	4,958	19,275	.2572	24...	3,236	27,126	.1192
12..	5,786	23,641	.2546	25...	2,780	19,279	.1441
13..	1,350	22,835	.0531	Total	65,540	560,892	.1168

PUBLIC SCHOOLS, TEACHERS AND PUPILS.

JUNE 30, 1900.

[FROM SCHOOL DOCUMENT NO. 12—1900.]

GENERAL SCHOOLS.	Number of schools.	NUMBER OF REGULAR TEACHERS.			Average number of pupils belonging.
		Men.	Women.	Total.	
Normal.....	1	1	10	11	226
Latin and High.....	11	86	92	178	5,128
Grammar.....	57	126	717	843	35,528
Primary.....	584	.....	584	584	30,914
Kindergartens.....	75	.....	150	150	4,284
Totals.....	728	213	1,553	1,766	79,080
SPECIAL SCHOOLS.					
Horace Mann.....	1	.....	.....	14	120
Spectacle Island.....	1	.....	.....	1	18
Evening High.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Central.....	.....	.....	.....	25	1,682
Charlestown Branch.....	.....	.....	.....	8	284
East Boston Branch.....	.....	.....	.....	6	137
Totals.....	8	.....	.....	54	2,191
Special teachers (not included above), .....	.....	22	99	121	.....
EVENING SCHOOLS.					
Elementary.....	12	.....	.....	154	3,145
Drawing.....	5	.....	.....	26	594
Special classes.....	2	.....	.....	2	26
Totals.....	19	.....	.....	182	3,765
Grand totals.....	750	235	1,652	2,123	85,098

APPENDIX VII.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

HOME USE ONLY.

	Total circulation. Home use.		From Central Library through branches and stations. Included in Central Library circulation, "B."		From branches through stations. Included in branch circulation.	
	1899- 1900.	1900- 1901.	1899- 1900.	1900- 1901.	1899- 1900.	1900- 1901.
Central Library:						
A., direct.....	328,917	318,514				
B., through branches and stations.....	102,070	113,143				
Brighton.....	36,017	42,800	515	731		
Charlestown.....	45,289	43,706	940	955		
Dorchester.....	52,654	52,021	754	689		
East Boston.....	58,967	64,461	2,127	1,657		
Jamaica Plain.....	46,558	50,758	1,212	1,198		
Roxbury.....	80,422	88,622	719	823		
South Boston.....	74,280	75,294	1,101	895		
South End.....	85,423	87,604	1,282	1,106		
West End.....	123,901	131,532	2,330	2,343		
West Roxbury.....	22,649	24,056	1,664	1,800		
Station A.....	5,297	5,427	2,276	2,577	1423	1485
B.....	14,025	16,688	7,221	6,908		
D.....	3,851	4,768	3,441	3,305		
E.....	6,175	6,490	2,649	2,155	11,221	1726
F.....	10,865	11,668	2,774	3,017		
G.....	9,675	9,391	4,589	5,644	3458	361
H.....	8,072	8,786	4,374	4,843	11,720	11,150
J.....	8,430	10,143	4,849	5,953		
K.....	5,071	5,840	2,678	2,062		
L.....	3,748	5,125	2,186	2,206		
Carried forward.....	1,132,356	1,176,837	49,681	50,569	3,822	2,443

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

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APPENDIX VII.—*Concluded.*

	Total circulation. Home use.		From Central Library through branches and stations. Included in Central Library circulation, "B."		From branches through stations. Included in branch circulation.	
	1899- 1900.	1900- 1901.	1899- 1900.	1900- 1901.	1899- 1900.	1900- 1901.
<i>Brought forward.</i>	1,132,356	1,176,837	49,681	50,569	3,322	2,442
Station M.....	6,131	9,454	3,428	4,431		
N.....	10,247	12,083	4,162	5,790		
P.....	24,113	26,449	2,505	2,253		
Q.....	15,191	16,689	4,827	5,005		
R.....	13,642	18,398	8,965	9,814	4,227	4,643
S.....	13,021	14,382	4,536	5,992		
T.....	9,940	11,199	4,867	4,349	58	
U.....	13,442	17,089	4,608	6,063		
W.....	2,255	4,516	3,831	9,976		
Y.....		1,398		187		
Cottage Place.....	1,447	1,341				
Deer Island.....	290	61				
Guild St. Elizabeth.....		679				
House of Reformation...	2,498	6,395	48	222		
North Bennet street.....	421	78				
Parental School.....	1,573	704				
Schools.....	4,974	7,051		34		
Back Bay P. O.			5,225	300		
City Almshouse.....			5,942	323		
Engine houses.....			5,426	7,075		
Hancock School			3,613			
Sand Gardens.....			5,384	420		
Vacation Schools.....			5,237	860		
Total	1,251,541	1,324,728	102,070	113,143	6,107	5,085

¹ Included in Dorchester Branch circulation.² " " Jamaica Plain " "³ " " Brighton " "⁴ " " Roxbury " "⁵ Number sent on deposit. Number used on premises not recorded.

APPENDIX VIII.

TRUSTEES FOR FORTY-NINE YEARS.

The Hon. Edward Everett was President of the Board of Trustees from 1852 to 1864; George Ticknor in 1865; William W. Greenough, Esq., from 1866 to April, 1888; from May 7, 1888, to May 12, 1888, Prof. Henry W. Haynes; Samuel A. B. Abbott, Esq., May 12, 1888, to April 30, 1895; Hon. F. O. Prince, October 8, 1895, to May 8, 1899; Hon. Solomon Lincoln, since May 12, 1899.

The Board for 1852 was a preliminary organization; that for 1853 made what is called the first annual report. At first it consisted of one alderman and one common councilman and five citizens at large, until 1867, when a revised ordinance made it to consist of one alderman, two common councilmen and six citizens at large, two of whom retired, unless reelected, each year, while the members from the City Council were elected yearly. In 1878 the organization of the Board was changed to include one alderman, one councilman and five citizens at large, as before 1867, and in 1885, by the provisions of the amended City charter, the representation of the City Government upon the Board, by an alderman and a councilman, was abolished, leaving the Board as at present, consisting of five citizens at large appointed by the Mayor.

Citizens at large in SMALL CAPITALS.

ABBOTT, SAMUEL A. B., 1879-95.	CLARKE, JAMES FREEMAN, D.D., 1878-88.
Allen, James B., 1852-53.	Coe, Henry F., 1878.
APPLETON, THOMAS G., 1852-57.	Crane, Samuel D., 1860-61.
Barnes, Joseph H., 1871-72.	CURTIS, DANIEL S., 1873-75.
BENTON, JOSIAH H., JR., 1894-1900.	Dennie, George, 1858-60.
BIGELOW, HON. JOHN P., 1852-68.	DE NORMANDIE, JAMES, D.D., 1895-1900.
BOWDITCH, HENRY I., M.D., 1865-68.	Dickinson, M. F., Jr., 1871-72.
BOWDITCH, HENRY P., M.D., 1894-1900.	Drake, Henry A., 1863-64.
Bradlee, John T., 1869-70.	DWIGHT, THOMAS, M.D., 1899-1900.
Bradt, Herman D., 1872-73.	Erving, Edward S., 1852.
Braman, Jarvis D., 1868-69.	EVERETT, HON. EDWARD, 1852-64.
BRAMAN, JARVIS D., 1869-72.	Flynn, James J., 1883.
Brown, J. Coffin Jones, 1861-62.	Frost, Oliver, 1854-55; 1856-58.
Burditt, Charles A., 1873-76.	FROTHINGHAM, RICHARD, LL.D., 1875-79.
Carpenter, George O., 1870-71.	Gaffield, Thomas, 1867-68.
CARR, SAMUEL, 1895-96.	GREEN, SAMUEL A., M.D., 1868-78.
CHASE, GEORGE B., 1876-85.	GREENOUGH, WILLIAM W., 1856-88.
Clapp, William W., Jr., 1864-66.	Guild, Curtis, 1876-77; 1878-79.
Clark, John M., 1855-56.	Harris, William G., 1869-70.
Clark, John T., 1873-78.	

- Haynes, Prof. Henry W., 1858-59.
 HAYNES, PROF. HENRY W., 1880-95.
 HILLARD, HON. GEORGE S., 1872-75; 1876-77.
 Howes, Osborne, Jr., 1877-78.
 Ingalls, Melville E., 1870-71.
 Jackson, Patrick T., 1864-65.
 Jenkins, Edward J., 1885.
 Keith, James M., 1868-70.
 Kimball, David P., 1874-76.
 Lawrence, James, 1852.
 Lee, Hon. John H., 1884-85.
 Lewis, Weston, 1867-68.
 LEWIS, WESTON, 1868-79.
 LEWIS, WINSLOW, 1867.
 LINCOLN, HON. SOLOMON, 1897-1900.
 Little, Samuel, 1871-73.
 Messinger, George W., 1855.
 Morse, Godfrey, 1883-84.
 MORTON, HON. ELLIS W., 1870-73.
 Munroe, Abel B., 1854.
 Newton, Jeremiah L., 1867-68.
 Niles, Stephen R., 1870-71.
 O'Brien, Hon. Hugh, 1879-82.
 Pease, Frederick, 1872-73.
 Perkins, William E., 1873-74.
 Perry, Lyman, 1852.
 PIERCE, PHINEAS, 1888-94.
 Plummer, Farnham, 1856-57.
 Pope, Benjamin, 1876-77.
 Pope, Richard, 1877-78.
 Pratt, Charles E., 1880-82.
 PRINCE, HON. FREDERICK O., 1888-99.
 PUTNAM, GEORGE, D.D., 1868-77.
 Reed, Sampson, 1852-53.
 RICHARDS, WILLIAM R., 1889-95.
 Sanger, Hon. George P., 1860-61.
 Sears, Phillip H., 1859-60.
 Seaver, Hon. Benjamin, 1852.
 Shepard, Hon. Harvey N., 1878-79.
 SHURTLEFF, HON. NATHANIEL B., 1852-68.
 Stabbins, Solomon B., 1882-83.
 Story, Joseph, 1855-56; 1865-67.
 THOMAS, BENJAMIN F., LL.D., 1877-78.
 TICKNOR, GEORGE, LL.D., 1852-66.
 Tyler, John S., 1863-64; 1866-67.
 WALKER, FRANCIS A., LL.D., 1896.
 Warren, George W., 1852-54.
 Washburn, Frederick L., 1857-58.
 WHIPPLE, EDWIN P., 1868-70.
 Whitmore, William H., 1882-88.
 WHITMORE, WILLIAM H., 1885-88.
 Whitney, Daniel H., 1862-63.
 Whitten, Charles V., 1883-85.
 Wilson, Elisha T., M.D., 1861-63.
 Wilson, George, 1852.
 WINSOR, JUSTIN, LL.D., 1867.
 Wolcott, Hon. Roger, 1879.
 Wright, Albert J., 1868-69.

LIBRARIANS.

1852 to date.

(From 1856 to 1877 the chief executive officer was entitled Superintendent.)

- CAPEX, EDWARD, *Librarian*, May 13, 1852-December 16, 1874.
 JEWETT, CHARLES C., *Superintendent*, 1858-January 9, 1868.
 WINSOR, JUSTIN, LL.D., *Superintendent*, February 25, 1868-September 30, 1877.
 GREEN, SAMUEL A., M.D., *Trustee, Acting Librarian*, October 1, 1877-September 30, 1878.
 CHAMBERLAIN, MELLEN, LL.D., *Librarian*, October 1, 1878-September 30, 1890.
 DWIGHT, THEODORE F., *Librarian*, April 13, 1892-April 30, 1894.
 PUTNAM, HERBERT, *Librarian*, February 11, 1895-April 3, 1899.
 WHITNEY, JAMES L., *Acting Librarian*, March 31, 1899-December 21, 1899; *Librarian*, December 22, 1899.

APPENDIX IX.

EXAMINING COMMITTEES FOR FORTY-NINE YEARS.

The following have served on the Examining Committees for the years given. The names in *italics* are those of Trustees who have acted as chairman of the various committees. The thirty-fourth year was from May 1 to December 31, 1885, a period of eight months, for which no Examining Committee was appointed.

- Abbott, Hon. J. G., 1870.
Abbott, S. A. B., 1880, 1894.
 Adams, Brooks, 1894.
 Adams, Nehemiah, D.D., 1860.
 Adams, Wm. T., 1875.
 Alger, Rev. Wm. R., 1870.
 Allen, Hon. Charles, 1899.
 Amory, Miss Anna S., 1890, 1891.
 Andrew, Hon. John F., 1888.
 Andrews, Augustus, 1892, 1893.
 Appleton, Hon. Nathan, 1854.
 Apthorp, Wm. F., 1883, 1899, 1900.
 Arnold, Howard P., 1881.
 Aspinwall, Col. Thomas, 1860.
 Attwood, G., 1877.
 Babson, Thomas M., 1900.
 Bailey, Edwin C., 1861.
 Ball, Joshua D., 1861.
 Bancroft, Robert H., 1894.
 Bangs, Edward, 1887.
 Barnard, James M., 1866.
 Barry, Rev. Richard J., 1895.
 Bartlett, Sidney, 1869.
 Bates, Hon. John L., 1896, 1897.
 Beebe, James M., 1858.
 Beecher, Edward, D.D., 1854.
 Bent, Samuel Arthur, 1890, 1891.
 Bigelow, Jacob, M.D., 1857.
Bigelow, Hon. John P., 1856.
 Blagden, George W., D.D., 1856.
 Blake, J. Bapst, M.D., 1897, 1898.
 Blake, John G., M.D., 1883, 1891.
 Blake, Mrs. Mary E., 1894, 1900.
 Bodfish, Rev. Joshua P., 1879, 1891.
 Bowditch, Alfred, 1899, 1900.
 Bowditch, Henry I., M.D., 1855.
Bowditch, Henry I., M.D., 1865.
 Bowditch, Henry P., M.D., 1881.
 Bowditch, J. Ingersoll, LL.D., 1855.
 Bowman, Alfonso, 1867.
 Bowne, Prof. Borden P., 1896, 1897.
 Bradford, Charles F., 1868.
 Bragg, Hon. Henry W., 1898, 1899.
 Brewer, Thomas M., 1865.
 Brimmer, Hon. Martin, 1890, 1891.
 Brooks, Phillips, D.D., 1871.
 Brown, Allen A., 1894.
 Brown, Francis H., M.D., 1899, 1900.
 Browne, Alexander Porter, 1891.
 Browne, Causten, 1876.
 Buckingham, C. E., M.D., 1872.
 Burdett, Everett W., 1896, 1897.
 Burroughs, Rev. Henry, Jr., 1869.
 Byrne, Very Rev. William, 1899, 1900.
 Carr, Samuel, 1894.
 Carruth, Herbert S., 1892.
 Chadwick, James R., M.D., 1877.
 Chamberlain, Mellen, LL.D., 1894.
 Chaney, Rev. George L., 1868.
 Chase, George B., 1876.
Chase, George B., 1877, 1885.
 Cheever, David W., M.D., 1894.
 Cheever, Miss Helen, 1896, 1897.
 Cheney, Mrs. Ednah D., 1881.
 Clapp, William W., Jr., 1864.
 Clarke, James Freeman, D.D., 1877.
Clarke, James Freeman, D.D., 1882.
 Clement, Edward H., 1894, 1895.
 Coale, George O. G., 1892, 1893.
 Colby, John H., 1900.
 Collar, William C., 1874.
 Collar, Mrs. William C., 1900.
 Collins, Hon. Patrick A., 1898, 1899.
 Connolly, Rev. Arthur T., 1898, 1899.
 Corbett, Hon. Joseph J., 1896, 1897.
 Cudworth, Warren H., D.D., 1878.
 Curtis, Charles P., 1862.
 Curtis, Daniel S., 1872.
 Curtis, Thomas B., M.D., 1874.
 Cushing, Thomas, 1886.
 Dalton, Charles H., 1884.
 Dana, Samuel T., 1857.
 Davis, James C., 1899, 1900.
 Dean, Benjamin, 1873.

- Denny, Henry G., 1876.
 Derby, Hasket, M.D., 1895, 1896.
 Dexter, Henry M., D.D., 1866.
 Dillingham, Rev. Pitt, 1886.
 Dix, James A., 1860.
 Doherty, Phillip J., 1888.
 Donahoe, Patrick, 1869.
 Donald, E. Winchester, D.D., 1898, 1899.
 Donnelly, Charles F., 1899, 1900.
 Dunphy, James W., 1900.
 Durant, Henry F., 1863.
 Duryea, Joseph T., D.D., 1880.
 Dwight, John S., 1868.
 Dwight, Thomas, M.D., 1880.
 Eastburn, Manton, D.D., 1863.
 Eaton, William S., 1887.
 Edes, Henry H., 1886.
 Eliot, Samuel, LL.D., 1868.
 Ellis, Arthur B., 1888, 1889.
 Ellis, Calvin, M.D., 1871.
 Ellis, George E., D.D., 1881.
 Endicott, William, Jr., 1878.
 Ensworth, William H., M.D., 1898, 1899.
 Ernst, Carl W., 1897, 1898.
 Evans, George W., 1887, 1888, 1889.
 Everett, Sidney, 1895.
 Fallon, Hon. Joseph D., 1899, 1900.
 Farlow, John W., M.D., 1892, 1893.
 Field, Miss Gretchen, 1898.
 Field, Walbridge A., LL.D., 1866.
 Fields, James T., LL.D., 1872.
 Fitz, Reginald H., 1879.
 Fitz, Walter Scott, 1894.
 Foote, Rev. Henry W., 1864.
 Fowle, William F., 1864.
 Freeland, Charles W., 1867.
 Frost, Oliver, 1854.
 Frothingham, Richard, LL.D., 1876.
 Furness, Horace Howard, LL.D., 1882.
 Gannett, Ezra S., D.D., 1855.
 Gargan, Thomas J., 1899, 1900.
 Garland, George M., M.D., 1895, 1896.
 Gay, George H., 1876.
 Gilchrist, Daniel S., 1872.
 Gordon, George A., D.D., 1885, 1899, 1900.
 Gould, A. A., M.D., 1864.
 Grant, Robert, 1884.
 Gray, John C., LL.D., 1877.
 Green, Samuel A., M.D., 1868.
 Green, Samuel S., 1895.
 Greenough, William W., 1858, 1874, 1883, 1886.
 Grinnell, Charles E., 1874.
 Hale, Edward E., D.D., 1858.
 Hale, Mrs. George S., 1887, 1888.
 Hale, Moses L., 1862.
 Hale, Philip, 1893.
 Haskins, Rev. George F., 1865.
 Hassam, John T., 1885.
 Hayes, Hon. F. B., 1874.
 Haynes, Prof. Henry W., 1879.
 Haynes, Prof. Henry W., 1881, 1884.
 Hayward, George, M.D., 1863.
 Heard, John, Jr., 1888, 1889, 1891.
 Heard, John T., 1853.
 Hellier, Charles E., 1895.
 Hemenway, Alfred, 1898, 1899.
 Herford, Brooke, D.D., 1884.
 Herrick, Samuel E., D.D., 1888, 1899.
 Hersey, Miss Heloise E., 1895, 1896.
 Higginson, Francis L., 1899, 1900.
 Higginson, Thomas W., LL.D., 1883.
 Hill, Clement Hugh, 1880.
 Hillard, Hon. George S., 1853.
 Hillard, Hon. George S., 1873.
 Hills, Thomas, 1898, 1899.
 Hodges, Richard M., M.D., 1870.
 Holmes, Edward J., 1881, 1884.
 Holmes, Oliver W., M.D., 1858.
 Holmes, Oliver W., jr., LL.D., 1882.
 Homans, Charles D., M.D., 1867.
 Homans, Mrs. Charles D., 1885, 1886, 1887.
 Homer, George, 1870.
 Homer, Peter T., 1857.
 Horton, Rev. Edward A., 1899, 1900.
 Hubbard, James M., 1891.
 Hubbard, William J., 1858.
 Hudson, John E., 1895, 1896.
 Hunnewell, James F., 1880, 1893, 1894.
 Hutchins, Miss Emma, 1895, 1896.
 Hyde, George B., 1879.
 Irwin, Miss Agnes, 1894.
 Jeffries, B. Joy, M.D., 1869.
 Jeffries, William A., 1893.
 Jenkins, Charles E., 1879.
 Jewell, Hon. Harvey, 1863.
 Jewett, Miss Sarah Orne, 1900.
 Johnson, Rev. Robert F., 1900.
 Jordan, Eben D., 1873.
 Kidder, Henry P., 1870.
 Kimball, David P., 1874.
 Kimball, Henry H., 1865.
 Kirk, Edward N., D.D., 1859.
 Lawrence, Hon. Abbott, 1853.
 Lawrence, Abbott, 1859.
 Lawrence, Miss Harriette S., 1890.
 Lawrence, James, 1855.
 Lee, Miss Alice, 1889, 1890, 1891.
 Lee, Hon. John H., 1897, 1898.
 Lewis, Weston, 1872, 1878.
 Lincoln, Hon. F. W., 1856.
 Lincoln, Hon. Solomon, 1886.
 Little, James L., 1864.
 Lombard, Prof. Josiah L., 1868.
 Loring, Hon. Charles G., 1855.

- Lothrop, Loring, 1866.
 Lowell, A. Lawrence, 1897, 1898.
 Lowell, Augustus, 1883.
 Lowell, Edward J., 1885.
 Lunt, Hon. George, 1874.
 Lyman, George H., M.D., 1885.
 McCleary, Samuel F., 1890.
 McNulty, Rev. John J., 1896, 1897.
 Manning, Rev. Jacob M., 1861.
 Mason, Rev. Charles, 1857.
 Mason, Miss Ellen F., 1898, 1899.
 Mason, Frank S., 1899, 1900.
 Mason, Robert M., 1869.
 Maxwell, J. Audley, 1883.
 Metcalf, Rev. Theodore A., 1888, 1889.
 Minns, Thomas, 1864.
 Minot, Francis, 1866.
 Morison, Miss Mary, 1892, 1893, 1895.
 Morrill, Charles J., 1885.
 Morse, John T. Jr., 1879.
 Morse, Robert M., Jr., 1878.
 Morton, Hon. Ellis W., 1871.
 Mudge, Hon. E. R., 1871.
 Neale, Rollin H., D.D., 1853.
 Noble, John, 1882, 1899, 1900.
 Norcross, Otis, 1880.
 O'Brien, Hon. Hugh, 1879.
 O'Callaghan, John J., 1895.
 O'Reilly, John Boyle, 1878.
 Otis, G. A., 1860.
 Paddock, Rt. Rev. Benj. H., 1876.
 Parker, Charles Henry, 1888, 1889.
 Parker, William L., 1900.
 Parker, Mrs. William L., 1897, 1898.
 Parkman, Henry, 1885.
 Parks, Rev. Leighton, 1882, 1896, 1897.
 Perkins, Charles C., 1871.
 Perry, Thomas S., 1879, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1890, 1891.
 Phillips, John C., 1882.
 Phillips, Jonathan, 1854.
 Pierce, Hon. Henry L., 1891.
 Pingree, Miss Lalia B., 1894.
 Prescott, William H., LL.D., 1853.
 Prince, Hon. F. O., 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1895, 1896.
 Putnam, George, 1900.
 Putnam, George, D.D., 1870.
 Putnam, Hon. John P., 1865.
 Putnam, William L., 1898, 1899.
 Randall, Charles M., M.D., 1884.
 Reed, Henry R., 1899, 1900.
 Rice, Hon. Alexander H., 1860.
 Robbins, Elliott, M.D., 1893.
 Roberts, Rev. W. Dewees, 1899, 1900.
 Roche, James Jeffrey, 1898, 1899.
 Rogers, Prof. William B., 1861.
 Rollins, J. Wingate, 1888, 1889.
 Ropes, John C., LL.D., 1872.
 Rotch, Benjamin S., 1863.
 Runkle, Prof. J. D., 1882.
 Russell, Samuel H., 1880.
 Sampson, O. H., 1892, 1893.
 Sanger, Hon. George P., 1860.
 Searle, Charles P., 1898, 1899.
 Seaver, Edwin P., 1861.
 Shepard, Hon. Harvey N., 1888, 1889.
 Sherwin, Mrs. Thomas, 1893, 1894.
 Shurtleff, Hon. Nathaniel B., 1857.
 Smith, Azariah, 1895, 1896.
 Smith, Charles C., 1873.
 Smith, Mrs. Charles C., 1881, 1886.
 Smith, Miss Minna, 1892.
 Sowdon, A. J. C., 1892, 1893.
 Sprague, Charles J., 1859.
 Sprague, Mrs. Henry H., 1899, 1900.
 Sprague, Homer B., 1882.
 Stedman, C. Ellery, M.D., 1888.
 Stevens, Oliver, 1858.
 Stevenson, Hon. J. Thomas, 1856.
 Stockwell, S. N., 1861.
 Stone, Col. Henry, 1885, 1886, 1887.
 Story, Joseph, 1856.
 Sullivan, Richard, 1883, 1884.
 Teele, John O., 1886.
 Thaxter, Adam W., 1855.
 Thayer, Rev. George A., 1875.
 Thayer, Rev. Thomas B., 1862.
 Thomas, B. F., LL.D., 1875.
 Thomas, Seth J., 1856.
 Ticknor, Miss Anna E., 1891.
 Ticknor, George, LL.D., 1853, 1854, 1855, 1859, 1863, 1866.
 Tillinghast, Caleb B., 1895, 1896.
 Tobey, Hon. Edward S., 1862.
 Todd, William C., 1894.
 Turner, Miss Frances H., 1899, 1900.
 Twombly, A. S., D.D., 1883, 1884.
 Updike, D. B., 1900.
 Upham, J. B., M.D., 1865.
 Vibbert, Rev. George H., 1873.
 Wadlin, Horace G., 1899, 1900.
 Wales, George W., 1875.
 Walley, Hon. Samuel H., 1862.
 Ward, Rev. Julius H., 1882.
 Ware, Charles E., M.D., 1875.
 Ware, Darwin E., 1881.
 Ware, Mrs. Darwin E., 1899, 1900.
 Warner, Hermann J., 1867.
 Warren, Hon. Charles H., 1859.
 Warren, J. Collins, M.D., 1878.
 Waterston, Rev. Robert C., 1867.
 Weissbein, Louis, 1893.
 Wells, Mrs. Kate G., 1877.
 Wells, Samuel, 1900.
 Wendell, Prof. Barrett, 1895, 1896.

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| <i>Wharton, William F.</i> , 1886. | <i>Wilson, Elisha T., M.D.</i> , 1861. |
| <i>Whipple, Edwin P.</i> , 1869. | <i>Winsor, Justin, LL.D.</i> , 1867. |
| <i>Whitmore, William H.</i> , 1887. | <i>Winthrop, Hon. Robert C.</i> , 1854. |
| <i>Whitney, Daniel H.</i> , 1862. | <i>Winthrop, Robert C., Jr.</i> , 1887. |
| <i>Whitney, Henry A.</i> , 1878. | <i>Wood, Frank</i> , 1897, 1898. |
| <i>Wightman, Hon. Joseph M.</i> , 1859. | <i>Wood, Miss Maria E.</i> , 1900. |
| <i>Williams, Harold, M.D.</i> , 1888, 1889,
1890. | <i>Woodbury, Charles Levi</i> , 1871. |
| <i>Williamson, William C.</i> , 1881. | <i>Woolson, Mrs. Abba Goold</i> , 1888,
1889. |
| <i>Williamson, Mrs. William C.</i> , 1897,
1898. | <i>Wright, Hon. Carroll D.</i> , 1884. |

APPENDIX X.

SCHEDULE OF LIBRARY SERVICE.

NOTE.—This has been brought down to May 3, 1901. The order is (1) by rank in grades, and (2) alphabetical, within each grade.

Five examinations have been given during the past year: Two for Grade E, February 9 (seventy-three candidates), and August 22 (forty-one candidates); one for Grade C, February 16 (fifty-seven candidates); two for Grade B, February 16 (thirty-six candidates), and May 8 (twenty-three candidates). Special examinations have been given to eighteen candidates, eight of whom were Library employees, who were qualifying for higher grades.

SUMMARY.

Central Library	177	Men	90	Women	87
Branches and reading rooms,	68	"	15	"	53
	<hr/> 245		<hr/> 105		<hr/> 140

Evening and Sunday service, Central Library, * 83.
Sunday service, branches, 11.

Extra assistance is employed at the branches.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Whitney, James L. . . .	1869	Librarian.
Fleischner, Otto	1891	Ass't Librarian.
† Mooney, George V. . . .	1889	B. Special.
Deery, Della Jean	1891	B. "
Learned, Lucie A. . . .	1891	B. "
Hutchins, Fernald	1896	D. "
McFarland, Peter V. . . .	1896	D.
Batson, Benjamin J., Jr. . .	1900	E.
Nichols, Adelaide A. . . .	1868	Auditor.
** Bicknell, Margaret M. . .	1896	C. Special.

CATALOGUE DEPARTMENT.

Hunt, Edward B.	1883	Chief.
¶ Swift, Lindsay	1878	A. Special.

* Serving from three to seven evenings a week each. The total number of positions is 37, evenings; 43, Sundays.

** Auditor's Assistant. † Custodian of Stock Room. ¶ Editor Library Publications.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

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Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Chevalier, Samuel A. . . .	1894	A. Special.
Murdoch, John	1896	A. "
Burnell, Carrie	1881	A.
Rollins, Mary H. . . .	1886	A.
Seaver, Mrs. Lillian F. . . .	1888	A.
Lane, Lucius P. . . .	1898	B. Special.
Rice, Edwin F. . . .	1885	B. "
Tenney, Mary A. . . .	1897	B. "
Bartlett, Mary R. . . .	1897	B.
Cutler, Dora L. . . .	1887	B.
Folsom, Clara P. . . .	1900	B.
Gould, Ida W. . . .	1884	B.
Hemmings, Anita F. . . .	1897	B.
Leavitt, Luella K. . . .	1895	B.
Mackay, Susan H. . . .	1901	B.
Brennan, Thomas Francis	1890	C. Special.
Durand, Susan M. . . .	1900	D. "
Dolan, Charles W. . . .	1894	D.
Shaughnessy, John F. . . .	1898	D. Runner.

ORDERING DEPARTMENT.

Macurdy, Theodosia E. . . .	1889	Chief.
Coolidge, Marie	1893	B. Special.
Seemüller, Mary	1899	B. "
Frinsdorff, Emily O. . . .	1894	B.
Goddard, Mrs. Frances H. . . .	1892	B.
McGrath, Mary A. . . .	1868	B.
Keleher, Alice A. . . .	1891	C.
Maiers, William C., Jr. . . .	1897	C.
Daly, Gertrude B. . . .	1901	E.
Ennis, William J. . . .	1900	E.

SHELF DEPARTMENT.

Roffe, William G. T. . . .	1881	A. Div. 2.
Locke, John F. . . .	1894	B. Special.
Richmond, Bertha P. . . .	1895	B.
Connor, George H. . . .	1891	C. Special.
Eberhart, John	1894	C. "
Reardon, John H. . . .	1896	C. "
Caiger, Eliza F. A. . . .	1895	D.
Lucid, John F. . . .	1893	D.
McSweeney, M. Agnes	1897	D.
Muckensturm, Matthew	1899	D.
Shawno, Robert	1898	D.

BATES HALL.

Bierstadt, Oscar A. . . .	1899	Custodian.
* Blaisdell, Frank C. . . .	1876	A. Special.

*In charge of Patent and Newspaper Departments.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Doyle, Agnes C. . . .	1885	B. Special.
Buckley, Pierce E. . . .	1891	B.
McCarthy, Michael, Jr. . . .	1892	C. Special.
Ward, Joseph W. . . .	1891	C. "
Plunkett, Albert J. . . .	1895	D. "
Hannigan, Frank J. . . .	1898	D.
McKenzie, Kenneth	1897	D.
Hogan, C. Thomas	1899	D. Runner.
Sullivan, Jeremiah J. . . .	1900	D. "

SPECIAL LIBRARIES.

Hitchcock, Grace A. . . .	1895	B. Special.
Barton, Marguerite	1900	B.
Chamberlain, Mrs. Marion L. . . .	1897	B.
Hall, Belle S. . . .	1895	B.
Williams, David L. . . .	1900	C.
Cassidy, Margaret L. . . .	1895	D. Special.
Kelly, Charlotte H. . . .	1895	D. "
Clarke, Harold	1900	D. Runner.
Doyle, Charles A. . . .	1899	D. "
Doyle, James L. . . .	1900	D. "

DOCUMENT DEPARTMENT.

Ford, Worthington C. . . .	1898	Chief.
Wheeler, Horace L. . . .	1900	B.
Cutting, Grace M. . . .	1899	C. Special.

PERIODICAL ROOM.

Wendt�, Frederika	1895	B.
Ford, Mary E. A. . . .	1895	D. Special.
Collins, John T. . . .	1901	E.

NEWSPAPER ROOM.

Serex, Frederic	1895	B.
Keenan, Matthew T. . . .	1896	D. Special.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

McGuffey, Margaret D. . . .	1895	Chief.
*Sheffield, Mrs. Gertrude P. . . .	1896	B. Special.
Jordan, Alice M. . . .	1900	B.
Sheridan, Mary C. . . .	1881	B.
Cufflin, M. Florence	1892	C. Special.
Richards, Florence F. . . .	1875	C.
Shumway, Marion H. . . .	1895	C.
Bertram, Lucy I. . . .	1895	D. Special.
Cunniff, Nellie L. . . .	1895	D. "
Daly, Margaret C. . . .	1895	D. "

* In charge of Children's Department.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

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Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Dowling, S. Jennie . . .	1895	D. Special.
Ethier, Lillian E. . . .	1895	D. "
McCarthy, Marion A. . .	1895	D. "
Murphy, Annie G. . . .	1888	D. "
Reynolds, Mary A. . . .	1894	D. "
Schulz, Henry A. C. . . .	1898	D. "
Weichmann, Catherine A. .	1895	D. "
Williams, Grace	1895	D. "
Connolly, Nellie L. . . .	1895	D. "
Gorman, John E.	1895	D. "
Hersey, Edna M	1898	D. "
Mulloney, William J. . . .	1892	D. "
Olson, Alphild	1895	D. "
Olson, Bertha A.	1895	D. "
Schnabel, Paul J.	1898	D. "
Shaughnessy, Mary A. . . .	1897	D. "
Stetson, Nina M.	1896	D. "
Zaugg, Joanna	1895	D. "
Barry, Margaret M.	1897	D. Runner.
Beck, Ernest M.	1900	D. "
Bryce, Jean M.	1898	D. "
Cole, Grace E.	1897	D. "
Connor, Lillian L.	1900	D. "
Day, Josephine E.	1899	D. "
Gorman, Annie L.	1899	D. "
Hagerty, Mary E.	1897	D. "
Kolsky, Joseph	1900	D. "
Perham, Lucy	1900	D. "
Reid, Georgina I.	1900	D. "
Williams, Eleanor M. . . .	1899	D. "

ISSUE DEPARTMENT, BRANCH DIVISION.

Ward, Langdon L.	1896	Supervisor of Branches and Delivery Stations.
Kueffner, Cecilia W. . . .	1898	B.
Stevens, Alice V.	1899	B.
Heimann, Otto A.	1890	C. Special.
Morse, Maud M.	1877	C. "
Bollig, Emma	1898	C.
Kiernan, Letitia M.	1895	C.
Maier, Joseph A.	1892	D. Special.
Brown, Richard	1898	D.
Conroy, Michael J.	1897	D. Runner.

REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

Keenan, John J.	1885	B. Special.
Murray, Ella K.	1886	C.
Shelton, Richard B.	1895	D. Special.
Fillebrown, Emily F. . . .	1895	D.

PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

Name.	Entered.	Position.
Lee, Francis W. . . .	1894	Chief.
Geyer, Willfried H. . . .	1896	Pressman.
Greeley, Carrie P. . . .	1896	Compositor.
Land, Annie F. . . .	1896	"
O'Keefe, Charles J. . . .	1899	Job pressman.

BINDERY.

Ryder, Frank	1883	Foreman.
Collins, Dennis J. . . .	1887	Finisher.
Conolly, John L. . . .	1900	Forwarder.
Fuerst, Alexander	1896	"
Hoeffner, George	1891	"
Ivory, John W. . . .	1893	"
Löfström, Konrad A. . . .	1892	"
Murphy, John F. . . .	1883	"
Ochs, Alfred G. . . .	1900	"
Sullivan, J. Henry	1898	"
Hemstedt, William P. . . .	1883	Pressman.
Cellarius, Theodore W. . . .	1892	Apprentice.
Bowen, Mrs. Sarah E. . . .	1876	Sewer.
Doiron, Joanna	1896	"
Kiley, Margaret J. . . .	1889	"
Moriarty, Mary G. . . .	1875	"
Nolen, Sarah	1891	"
Potts, Ellen F. . . .	1892	"
Soule, Ellen E. . . .	1891	"

ENGINEER AND JANITOR DEPARTMENT.

Niederauer, Henry	1894	Chief Engineer.
McCready, Alexander	1895	Engineer.
Malone, John P. . . .	1895	"
O'Neill, Harry	1896	"
Zittel, George, Jr. . . .	1891	"
Herland, Nils J. . . .	1895	Fireman.
Moran, John A. . . .	1894	"
Karlson, Charles W. . . .	1896	Book Motors.
Williams, John L. . . .	1886	Janitor.
Frye, Henry W. . . .	1898	"
Kelley, James J. . . .	1900	"
McCarty, Dennis	1888	Watchman.
McGee, Alexander D. . . .	1896	Painter.
Lawrence, John A. . . .	1898	Carpenter.
Hanna, William T. . . .	1895	Marble polisher.
Cole, William E. . . .	1898	Elevator and Coat-room attendants.
Kennedy, Thomas F. J. . . .	1901	
Thomas, Arthur C. . . .	1898	

EAST BOSTON BRANCH.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Walkley, Ellen O. . . .	1897	B. Special.
Brackett, Marion W. . . .	1897	C.
Wing, Alice M.	1873	C.
Bickford, Lillian A. . . .	1891	D.
Matthews, Everett F. . . .	1900	Janitor.
Taylor, Charles F.	1897	"

SOUTH BOSTON BRANCH.

Bullard, N. Josephine . . .	1883	B. Special.
Eaton, Ellen A.	1873	C.
Sampson, Idalene L. . . .	1878	C.
McQuarrie, Annie C. . . .	1894	D.
Orcutt, Alice B.	1887	D.
Baker, Joseph	1872	Janitor.

ROXBURY BRANCH.

Bell, Helen M.	1878	B. Special.
Berry, Martha L. C. . . .	1883	C.
Puffer, Dorothy	1878	C.
Griggs, Sarah W.	1886	D.
Lynch, Gertrude A. . . .	1894	D.
Monahan, William	1883	Janitor.

CHARLESTOWN BRANCH.

Cartée, Elizabeth F. . . .	1886	B. Special.
Livermore, Mrs. Susan E. .	1885	C.
Reagen, Elizabeth R. . . .	1895	C.
Donovan, Annie M.	1899	D.
O'Neill, Margaret M. . . .	1892	D.
Rogan, Katharine S. . . .	1896	D.
Smith, Thomas E.	1874	Janitor.

BRIGHTON BRANCH.

Hobart, Martha N.	1896	B. Special
Conley, Ellen F.	1891	C.
Dale, M. Florence	1895	C.
Warren, Edward A.	1898	Janitor.

DORCHESTER BRANCH.

Reed, Mrs. Elizabeth T. . .	1873	B. Special.
Griffith, Mary E.	1886	C.
Donovan, Mary G.	1891	C.
Brick, Mary L.	1899	D.
Kellogg, Grace E.	1898	D.
Davenport, Edward	1875	Janitor.

SOUTH END BRANCH.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Sheridan, Margaret A.	1875	B. Special.
McKirdy, Alice E.	1796	C.
Lynch, Emma F.	1885	C.
Meehan, Margaret F.	1893	D.

JAMAICA PLAIN BRANCH.

Swain, Mary P.	1877	B. Special.
Riley, Nellie F.	1878	C.
Albert, Katie F.	1892	C.
Tirrell, Martin H.	1900	Janitor.

WEST END BRANCH.

Davis, Mrs. Eliza R.	1877	B. Special.
Barton, Margaret S.	1885	C.
Forbes, George W.	1896	C.
Kiley, Mary E.	1896	C.
Mooney, Katharine G.	1885	C.
Millmeister, Rebecca	1899	D.
Riley, Mary E.	1891	D.
Kelly, William D.	1898	D. Runner.
McKenna, Harry C.	1900	D. " "
Sullivan, Daniel J.	1898	Janitor.

WEST ROXBURY BRANCH.

Morse, Carrie L.	1890	B.
Henderson, Irene E.	1898	D. Runner.
Woods, Eugene B.	1898	Janitor.

DELIVERY STATIONS.

Station.	Custodian.	Grade.
A. Lower Mills Reading Room	Hill, M. Addie	D. Special.
B. Roslindale Reading Room	Murray, Grace L.	D. Special.
C. West Roxbury Branch	See above.	
D. Mattapan Reading Room	Capewell, Mrs. Emma G.	D. Special.
E. Neponset Delivery Station	Barnes, Charles D.	
F. Mt. Bowdoin Reading Room	Fairbrother, Mrs. Eliz. G.	D. Special.
G. Allston Delivery Station	Howe, W. A., & Co.	
H. Ashmont Delivery Station	Weymouth, Clara E.	
J. Dorchester Sta. Delivery Sta.	Sexton, Mrs. Annie M.	
K. Bird street Delivery Station	Morris, Antoinette.	
L. No. Brighton Reading Room	Muldoon, Katherine F., D. Special.	
M. Crescent ave. Delivery Station	Smith Brothers.	
N. Mt. Pleasant Delivery Station	Witherell, Anna M.	D.
P. Broadway Extension Delivery Station	Stewart, Cora L.	D. Special.
	Myers, Benjamin	D.
Q. Upham's Corner Delivery Sta.	Rolland, Ezra N.	
R. Warren st. Delivery Station	Smith, H. De Forrest.	
S. Roxbury Crossing Delivery Sta.	Yeaton, E. Christine	D. Special.
T. Boylston Delivery Station	Peirce, George L.	
U. Ward Nine Delivery Station	McGrath, Amelia F.	C.
W. Industrial School Delivery Sta.	Guerrier, Edith.	
Y. Andrew Square Reading Room	Marshall, Jeanette M.	D. Special.

EVENING AND SUNDAY SERVICE.

Central Library.

Bates Hall.—Officers in charge: Samuel A. Chevalier, Otto Fleischner, Edward B. Hunt, Lindsay Swift. Assistants: John Murdoch, William G. T. Roffe, Edward Tiffany, William A. Walsh. Central desk: Pierce E. Buckley, John H. Reardon, David L. Williams. Care of reference books: Frank J. Hannigan, Charles A. Hardy, Albert E. Heimann, Albert J. Plunkett. Collector of slips: Ralph M. Barstow, Howard C. Blake, Edward E. Bruce, Paul J. Schnabel. Runners: Maurice Ferber, Ferdinand W. C. Haberstroh, Frank T. Sullivan, John J. Sullivan.

Issue Department.—Officers in charge: Frank C. Blaisdell, Pierce E. Buckley, Samuel A. Chevalier. Receiver of books: Fred W. Blaisdell, George H. Connor, Michael McCarthy, Jr. Deliverers of books: Fred W. Blaisdell, John F. Conners, John H. Reardon. Care of indicator: Walter T. Hannigan. Assistants at indicator: Fred A. Beckford, Joseph A. Maier. Care of slips: Daniel J. Ford, Albert E. Heimann, Otto A. Heimann. Desk attendants: Daniel J. Ford, John E. Gorman, Frank J. Hannigan. Care of tubes: John E. Gorman, John F. Lucid, Joseph A. Maier, William J. Mulloney. Care of carriers: Fred A. Beckford, Michael J. Conroy, John H. Glover, James A. Pitts. Book-case attendants: Charles W. Annable, John H. Glover, Kenneth McKenzie, John A. Pearson, Frank T. Sullivan. Runners: Howard C. Blake, Richard Brown, Henry W. Buhler, Harold Clarke, Timothy J. Conners, Elmer B. Derby, Charles A. Doyle, Maurice Ferber, Daniel J. Ford, John H. Glover, Ferdinand W. C. Haberstroh, Richard J. Haberman, Charles A. Hardy, Albert E. Heimann, Lucius S. Hicks, Thomas F. Hughes, Walter J. Lambert, John F. Lucid, Peter V. McFarland, John L. McKiernan, James L. Maguinness, D. Clifford Martin, Matthew Muckensturm, Joseph A. Murphy, Morris J. Rosenberg, Frank T. Sullivan, Nelson G. Trueman, Otto E. Zaugg. Children's Library attendants: Belle S. Hall, Charlotte H. Kelly, Maud M. Morse, Marion L. Owen, Joanna Zaugg. Extra attendants: Edwin F. A. Benson, Charles D. Campbell, George H. Davis.

SPECIAL LIBRARIES. — *In charge of Barton Library:* Francis W. Lee, Edward Tiffany. Assistants: Charles W. Annable, Fernald Hutchins, John L. McKiernan, James A. Pitts, Waldo W. Weller. In charge Fine Arts Department: Frank A. Bourne, William A. Walsh. Assistants: Charles A. Doyle, William C. Maiers, Arthur E. F. Smith. Extra assistants: Edwin F. A. Benson, John L. McKiernan, Joseph A. Murphy, Robert Shawno, Waldo W. Weller.

Newspaper Room. — Thomas F. Brennan, George H. Connor, Albert J. Plunkett. Newspaper files: Kenneth McKenzie, James L. Maguinness, Harry F. Mayer.

Patent Room. — Matthew T. Keenan, Frederic Serex.

Periodical Room. — John F. Conners, Albert J. Plunkett.

Registration Desk. — William E. Fallon, John J. Keenan.

Replacement of books. — John F. Lucid, Michael McCarthy, Jr., Joseph W. Ward.

SUNDAY SERVICE.

** Branch libraries. November 1 to May 1.*

Charlestown Branch, 2 to 10 P.M. — In charge: Bergan A. Mackinnon, Edwin A. Drowne. Janitor: Thomas Smith.

East Boston Branch, 2 to 10 P.M. — In charge of Issue desk: Everett F. Matthews. In charge of Reading Room: Alexander Miller. Janitor: Charles F. Taylor.

South Boston Branch, 2 to 10 P.M. — In charge: Alice B. Orcutt, Joseph Baker. Janitor: Thomas Saunders.

Station P, 2 to 6 P.M., 7 to 9 P.M. — In charge: Astley Parsons, Max H. Newman.

Station S, 2 to 6 P.M., 7 to 9 P.M. — In charge: Gertrude Churchill.

* With the exception of the West End Branch, which is open Sundays throughout the year; here, certain members of the regular week-day force serve Sundays, their compensation being for seven days per week.

APPENDIX XI.

CORRESPONDENCE, BEQUESTS, ETC.

THE MELLEN CHAMBERLAIN COLLECTION.

CHELSEA, February 14, 1893.

To the Trustees of the Boston Public Library :

GENTLEMEN,—I propose to leave to the Boston Public Library, by testamentary bequest, my collection of historical documents, manuscripts, autographs, portraits, and engravings connected therewith, together with a few printed volumes, and some matters of personal interest to me, provided the Trustees, after a more mature consideration of the subject, are still willing to accept the same agreeably to an informal understanding expressed at their meeting, January 17, 1893. That is to say, that the Trustees will furnish the room in the new building, connected with the Librarian's Room, substantially in accord with the plan prepared by Alex. S. Jenney, and set said room apart as the permanent home of said collection, to be and forever remain in the sole custody of the Librarian, under the Trustees.

From the above conditions are to be excepted the framed Address to the King, the Declaration of Independence, the Articles of Confederation, and the Constitution of the United States, which would be properly exhibited on the walls of some more public room.

While I desire to retain the property of the collection during my life, it is my wish, nevertheless, to transfer to the Library at once such portions of it as are in completed form, and the remainder as soon as it can be completed.

The collection will need an index and binding; and as I am familiar with the requirements, I think it would be well to have one or more volumes of each division bound as soon as may be, to serve as examples for the remaining volumes.

It is my purpose to make the collection as complete as I may; and to that end, after any portion of it is transferred to the Library, I shall desire free access to it at suitable times.

Respectfully,

(Signed)

MELLEN CHAMBERLAIN.

PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

To the Hon. Mellen Chamberlain :

DEAR SIR,—It is my pleasant duty to inform you that I am instructed by the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston, that they accept with gratitude your proposed testa-

mentary gift of your unique and valuable "collection of historical documents, autographs, portraits and engravings connected therewith, together with certain printed volumes," etc., and that they agree to perform all the conditions set forth in your letter of February 14, 1893, to which the gift is made subject.

Permit me to improve the opportunity to express my own appreciation of the great value of your proposed donation, and assure you that all the conditions referred to will be faithfully performed. The Trustees have already commenced the work of preparing a suitable room in the new Library building for the accommodation of the collection, as you are pleased to allow them present possession of the same.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) FREDERICK O. PRINCE,
President pro tem.

MARCH 28, 1893.

Extract from the Will of Mellen Chamberlain. Will dated March 26, 1900. Judge Chamberlain died June 25, 1900. Will proved March 7, 1901.

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To the Trustees of the Boston Public Library I give my collection of manuscripts (save those hereinbefore given to the Historical Society), autographs, portraits, and photographs, collected for illustrating said collection (as distinguished from those framed and now hanging on the walls of my house), personal and family papers, correspondence and genealogical manuscripts, together with two bound sets of my own historical and literary papers. I also give to said Trustees the presentation copies of books or pamphlets, including those containing autographs of distinguished persons once owning them, whether now in my own house or in my room in the Library. These matters may generally be recognized (if books) by their having my book-plate—"The Chamberlain Collection"—on the inside of the cover. This bequest is upon the conditions set forth in my letter to said Trustees, February 14, 1893, and accepted by their vote, March 28, of the same year.

THE DANIEL SHARP FORD BEQUEST.

Bequest of Daniel Sharp Ford; died December 23, 1899. Will proved January 9, 1900.

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Nine. I desire to express my appreciation of the benefits I have received, in common with all'citizens, from the protection and encouragement of good government in our City during the

many years of my business life, and my recognition of the humane and benevolent spirit that has prevailed and found expression in the establishment and support of educational and benevolent institutions. I give, devise and bequeath to the following-named institutions in the City of Boston, County of Suffolk, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the respective sums herein named.

a. To the Museum of Fine Arts, the sum of six thousand dollars.

b. To the Public Library of the City of Boston, the sum of six thousand dollars.

c. To the Boston Young Men's Christian Association, the sum of seven thousand dollars.

d. To the Boston Young Women's Christian Association, the sum of seven thousand dollars.

e. To the Massachusetts General Hospital, the sum of seven thousand dollars.

f. To the Boston City Hospital, the sum of six thousand dollars.

g. To the Boston Children's Aid Society, the sum of five thousand dollars.

h. To the Children's Hospital in Boston, the sum of five thousand dollars.

THE ABRAM E. CUTTER BEQUEST.

Extract from the Will.

Seventh. I give and bequeath to the Public Library of said City of Boston my library of books, provided and on the condition nevertheless that my wife, if she survives me, shall retain to her own unrestricted and independent use and possession such parts thereof as she may desire during her natural life, or so long as she may wish.

I also give and bequeath to said Public Library the sum of four thousand dollars, in trust nevertheless, to keep the same safely invested and to collect and receive the income therefrom and to apply the same from time to time to the purchase of books to add to the collection hereby bequeathed, and for the repairs, binding, and other expenses needful for making the collection more complete and useful. I direct nevertheless that all my remainder of the edition of Anne Bradstreet's works, published in 1867, all of which, with the plates thereto belonging, are intended to be included in the foregoing bequest to said Public Library, shall be sold or exchanged by the Trustees or Managers of said Library at their discretion, and that the proceeds shall be added to said collection or to said fund of four thousand dollars, as the case may be, and thereafter held upon the same trusts and for the same purposes as in this item of my will set forth.

APPENDIX XII.

GIVERS AND GIFTS.

The following list of gifts for the past year has been prepared by the Chief of the Ordering Department:

	1899-1900.	1900-1901.
Givers	2,392	2,450
Volumes	13,310	15,065
Numbers	18,682	12,109
Photographs, engravings, etc.	1,644	262
Newspaper subscriptions. (Gifts of the publishers)	97	90

Gifts from the following persons may be especially mentioned:

The Armenian Benevolent Association of Boston, through Karekin M. Giragosian, secretary, seventy-nine volumes in the Armenian language.

Howard P. Arnold, thirty-four volumes and four photographs. Belgium, Institut Cartographique Militaire. Carte topographique de la Belgique.

The Boston Browning Society, for the Browning Library, ten volumes, four photographs, and sixteen pieces of music.

The Boston Philatelic Society, through Mr. Herman Corbett, forty-five volumes of postage-stamp magazines, including the American Philatelist, vols. 1-13, 1887-99; the London Philatelist, 1894-98, etc.

Prof. Henry P. Bowditch, seventy-two volumes, including numerous German scientific works.

The heirs of George Brinley, Philadelphia, a large paper copy, in five volumes, of the priced catalogue of the Brinley Library.

From the Boston School Committee, in coöperation with the publishers, 599 volumes. This gift comprises copies of most of the text-books used in the public schools of Boston. These have been placed in the Children's Reference Room. The following publishers gave these books: Allyn and Bacon; American Book Co.; Boston School Supply Co.; Butler, Sheldon and Co.; Prof. W. O. Crosby; Ginn and Co.; J. L. Hammett Co.; Longmans, Green and Co.; Harper and Bros.; Maynard, Merrill and Co.; Heath and Co.; Henry Holt and Co.; Houghton, Mifflin and Co.; Milton Bradley Co.; Prang Educational Co.; B. H. Sanborn and Co.; Thos. R. Shewell; Silver, Burdett and Co.; The J. B. Lippincott Co.; The Macmillan Co.; The Oliver Ditson Co.; Thompson, Brown and Co.; University Publishing Co.

Allen A. Brown, 597 volumes.

W. B. Clarke Co., eighty-two posters, illustrating book and magazine advertisements for the current year.

Rev. John F. Cummins, a bronze medal commemorating the year (1900) of Jubilee by His Holiness Leo XIII.

Mrs. Simon Davis, eighty volumes of a miscellaneous character.

The Oliver Ditson Co., 576 volumes of musical publications.

Mrs. Martha W. Faucon, Milton, twenty-seven volumes, German and Dutch history.

Andrew D. Fuller, six papers on the water supply, drainage, etc., of Boston, prepared by the Board of Paris Exposition managers for Massachusetts.

Mrs. William W. Gannett, forty volumes of songs and 347 pieces of music.

From the family of the late William Lloyd Garrison, five volumes of the office copies of the South Carolina State Gazette, 1794-5, 1799-1801, and the Herald of Freedom, 1843.

From the German Patent Office, 4,665 numbers of the Patent-schriften. These numbers have been bound in seventy-five volumes, and placed in the Patent Room.

Augustus Hemenway. Carte du théâtre de la guerre en Amérique. Dessiné par E. D. Vorzet et publ. par Lévy frères. (Nineteen sheets in a portfolio.)

From Thomas Wentworth Higginson, sixty-eight volumes for the Galatea Collection, and a volume of historical manuscripts comprising a number of letters, 106 in all, on the attempted rescue of Anthony Burns in 1854.

W. Alleyne Ireland, a card catalogue, containing 600 titles of every separate document, and of many portions of documents, relating to China, published in the Sessional Papers of the British Parliament from 1801-1898.

His Majesty King Humbert of Italy, six volumes, containing the Campagne del Principe Eugenio di Savoia.

Italy. Ministero della Marina, thirty-five volumes and sixty-nine numbers relating to the naval affairs and public works of that country.

The John Rylands Library, Manchester, England, the catalogue of the printed books and manuscripts in the library, in three quarto volumes. Also Catalogue of books printed in England, Scotland and Ireland, and of books in English printed abroad to the end of 1640.

George B. Knapp, sixty-six volumes, relating chiefly to the fine arts.

Joseph Lee, 160 volumes, largely on social and industrial questions.

Through the generosity of Mrs. John A. Lewis, two rare volumes have been added to the John A. Lewis Collection, namely:

Now or never is the time for men to make sure of their eternal salvation. By Increase Mather. Boston, B. Eliot, 1713.

A good man making a good end. By Cotton Mather. Boston, B. Green and J. Allen, for Michael Perry, 1698.

Also, an autograph letter from the Rev. Thomas Foxcroft to the Rev. Stephen Williams, Boston, Feb. 14, 1728, on Cotton Mather's death.

George E. Littlefield, a copy of his *Early Boston Booksellers, 1642-1711*, published by the Club of Odd Volumes, 1900.

From the Duc de Loubat, Paris, *Il manoscritto Messicano Vaticano, 3,738*, detto il codice Rios, riprodotto in fotocromografia a spese di S. E. il duca di Loubat per cura della Biblioteca Vaticana, Roma, 1900.

Miss Sarah B. Mackintosh and Miss Mariana E. Clarke, fifty-five volumes, 224 pieces of music.

Miss Elizabeth May, of Leicester, Mass., a collection of material relating to the Anti-Slavery agitation in Massachusetts. It includes a part of the correspondence of her father, the late Rev. Samuel May, his note-books and many letters, notably his correspondence with Richard D. Webb of Dublin and John Bishop Estlin of England; between three and four hundred in all.

Mrs. Julia M. Norris, San Francisco, formerly Mrs. Thomas Starr King, and Mrs. Horace Davis, her daughter, a collection of the manuscripts and published works of the late Rev. Thomas Starr King. The manuscripts include his sermons and addresses. The Old South Society of Boston, for the Prince Library, a copy of Samuel Mather's *Figures or types of the Old Testament*, etc., sermons. London, 1705.

The Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, nineteen volumes in raised letters.

Thomas Sergeant Perry, eighteen volumes in Japanese, including Shakespeare's *Othello*.

Samuel T. Pickard, forty-eight bound volumes of the *Portland Transcript* from 1848-97, of which Mr. Pickard was at one time editor, also three volumes of the *Carpet Bag*, Boston, 1851, and three volumes of the *Eclectic*, Portland, 1851.

The Red Cross Society, Madrid (*La Cruz Roja Española*), twenty-three memoirs and reports of the Society in the different provinces of Spain.

Dr. Morton Prince, a miscellaneous collection of 242 volumes.

Col. Alfred P. Rockwell, 161 volumes, chiefly English literature, scientific and educational works.

His Excellency Gov. Roosevelt, the Report of the New York Monuments Commission for the battlefields of Gettysburg and Chattanooga, in three volumes.

The Roxburghe Club of Roxbury, twenty-five mounted photographs, reproductions from Tintoretto, Guido Reni and Raphael, for the Fine Arts Collection.

Thomas Smythe, twenty-five volumes of manuscript records, of which eight volumes are copied from the records of Barnstable County, towns of Eastham, Truro and Provincetown; nine volumes copied from wills and deeds from Dorchester and Caroline Counties, Maryland; and eight volumes of miscellaneous material, copied chiefly from the Middlesex County records.

Howard M. Ticknor, thirty-nine volumes, relating chiefly to

music, and a collection of old and scarce Boston concert and theatre programmes, posters, etc., numbering 8,142.

The 20th Regiment Association, M.V.I., through Capt. Edward B. Robins, an interesting collection of military accoutrements, belonging to officers of the 19th and 20th regiments, M.V.I., in the Civil War.

Edward Wheelwright, forty-two volumes, mostly foreign literature.

Edward Whymper, of England, a complete set of his works on mountain climbing, etc., in ten volumes.

Mrs. Justin Winsor, Cambridge, a volume of matter relating to Benjamin Franklin.

Charles H. Wise, twenty-five subscriptions to current periodicals for the Roslindale Reading Room.

1. ENDOWMENTS.

(See page 6.)

2. WORKS OF ART.

(See page 8.)

3. MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS OF MONEY.

The sum of one hundred dollars has been received from Mr. Andrew Carnegie, through Col. Thomas Wentworth Higginson, as the first annual contribution for the purchase of books for the Galatea Collection of books relating to the history of woman.

4. PHOTOGRAPHS, ENGRAVINGS, MEDALS, ETC.

Anonymous	4 Photographs.
Appleton, William S.	1 Photograph.
Arnold, Howard P.	1 Chromophotogravure.
	3 Photographs.
Baillargé, Charles P. F.	5 Photographs.
Bartlett, Prof. Truman	2 Photographs.
Bedlington, Charles	1 Framed photograph.
Boston and Albany Railroad	9 Photographs.
Boston Browning Society	4 Photographs.
Calais, Me., Free Library	1 Photograph.
Chase, J. Eastman	1 Vol. containing progressive proofs of the Peachblow vase, Walter's Collection.
Christensen, Niels, Jr.	1 Print.
Coolidge, Baldwin	1 Photograph.
Cummins, Rev. John F.	1 Bronze medal.
Curtis, Miss Mary A. H.	4 Framed pictures.
Davis, Andrew McF.	10 Photographs.
Doyle, Agnes M.	1 Picture.

Drexel Institute of Art, Science, and Industry, Philadelphia . . .	10 Photographs.
Eaton, Edward B.	1 Silver medal.
Fisher, Milton M.	1 Photograph.
France. Préfecture du Départe- ment de la Seine	5 Engravings.
Fowler, Albert S.	40 Engravings.
Garrison, Francis J.	1 Daguerreotype.
Guiney, Louise Imogen	1 Photograph.
Gunning, Mrs. Mary	4 Photographs.
Harris, Mrs. A. F.	2 Prints.
Haverhill Public Library . . .	11 Photographs.
Hiersemann, Karl W.	7 Plates.
Howard, George H.	62 Prints.
Iconographic Society	1 Etching.
John Crerar Library, Chicago . .	5 Photographs.
Knapp, George B.	4 Medals.
New England Cotton Manufactur- ers' Association	1 Bronze medal.
North Adams Public Library . .	1 Photograph.
Roxburghe Club of Roxbury . .	25 Photographs.
Sheffield, Mrs. Gertrude P. . .	25 Photographs.
Swift, Lindsay	1 Print.
Twentieth Regiment Association, M.V.I.	Sword, epaulettes, belt- plate, etc.
Whitney, James L.	4 Photographs.

5. BOOKS, PERIODICALS AND NEWSPAPERS.

	Vols.	Nos.
Aachen, Germany. Handelskammer		1
Abbot Public Library, Marblehead		1
Abbott, Dr. Samuel W.	1	
Aberdeen. Chamber of Commerce		1
— Public Library		1
Abu-Khalil, Alexander 1900-01 subscription to Al-Ayam		
Academy of Science of St. Louis		8
Acker, Finley, Philadelphia	3	
Actors' Fund of the United States of America		1
Actuarial Society of America, New York City		3
Adams, Hon. Charles Francis, Lincoln	1	
Adams, Charles H.	2	9
Adams, Robert, Washington		1
Adams Academy, Quincy		2
Adams Nervine Asylum		1
Adler, Dr. Simon L., Rochester	1	
Advance, San Francisco		
Agullar Free Library, New York City		6
Aiken, Rev. Charles F., Washington	1	
Alabama. Agricultural Experiment Station		17
Alabama Historical Society	1	1
Albany Medical Annals, Publishers of	1	
Albany Medical College	1	6
Aldrich, N. W., Washington		5
Alkaloidal Clinic, Publishers of, Chicago	2	1
Allegheny County Workhouse and Inebriate Asylum, Claremont, Pa.		1

	Vols.	Nos.
Allen, Hon. Charles	1	
Allen, Mrs. Charles A., Brookline	1	
Allen, Hon. Charles H., San Juan, Porto Rico	1	
Allerton, Samuel W., Chicago	1	
Allison, William A., New York City		1
Altona, Germany. Handelskammer		23
American Academy of Arts and Sciences	1	3
American Academy of Social and Political Science, Philadelphia		3
American Agriculturist Library, Springfield	1	
American Antiquarian Society, Worcester	2	3
American Association for the Advancement of Science	1	
American Association to Promote Teaching of Speech to the Deaf, Philadelphia		3
American Asylum for the Education and Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb, Hartford	1	
American Bankers' Association, New York City		1
American Baptist Home Mission Society, New York City	2	1
American Baptist Missionary Union	2	8
American Bar Association, Philadelphia	1	
American Bible Society, New York City	1	
American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions		6
American Catholic Historical Society, Philadelphia	1	
American Citizen 1900-01 subscription		
American Colonization Society		3
American Congregational Association		3
American Druggist Publishing Co., New York City		1
American Economic Association		1
American Geographical Society, New York City	1	3
American Homes Publishing Co., Knoxville	3	
American Humane Association, Fall River	1	
American Institute of Architects	1	3
American Institute of Homœopathy, New York City	1	
American Institute of Mining Engineers, New York City	3	
American-Irish Historical Society	1	
American Iron and Steel Association, Philadelphia	1	
American Jewish Historical Society, Washington		1
American Journal of Nursing, Publishers of, Rochester	1	
American Laryngological Association, Washington	1	
American Medico-Psychological Association, Baltimore	4	
American Missionary Association, New York City		6
American Monthly Magazine, Publishers of	1	
American Museum of Natural History, New York City	1	4
American New Church Tract and Publication Society, Philadelphia		1
American Numismatic and Archæological Society, New York City		1
American Peace Society	1	
American Philatelic Association, Chicago		1
American Philosophical Society, Philadelphia	3	2
American Purity Alliance, New York City		1
American Seamen's Friend Society, New York City		1
American Social Science Association		1
American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, New York City	1	1
American Society of Civil Engineers, New York City	3	
American Society of Superintendents of Training Schools for Nurses, New York City	2	
American Statistical Association		4
American Surgical Association, Philadelphia	1	
American Union League Society, New York City	1	
American Unitarian Association 2 broadsides		173

	Vols.	Nos.
American Warehousemen's Association, New York City .	1	
American Water Works Association, New York City .		1
Amerikanische Turnzeitung, Milwaukee .		
1900-01 subscription		
Amerikas Westnesis, Boston .	1900-01 subscription	
Ames, George B. .	2	
Ames Free Library, North Easton	1	1
Amherst College	1	1
— Library		1
Among the Clouds, Mt. Washington 1900-01 subscription		
Amsterdam. Bureau Municipal de Statistique		13
Andover Theological Seminary	1	6
Andrews, C. W., Chicago	1	
Anonymous 1 broadside, 1 map	132	117
Anti-Imperialist League, Chicago		1
Antón y Ferrándiz, M., Madrid	1	
Antwerp. Conseil Communal		4
Appleton, D., & Co., New York City	1	
Appleton, William S.	5	36
Apprentices' Library Company of Philadelphia		1
Arbeiterstimme, Zürich 1 periodical subscription		
Architectural Studies Co., Chicago		2
Argentine Republic. Biblioteca del Museo Nacional.		
Buenos Aires		1
— Biblioteca Nacional, Buenos Aires	4	4
— Dirección General de Estadística		19
— Instituto Geográfico		1
— Ministerio de Agricultura		3
— Ministerio de Obras Públicas		6
— Ministerio del Interior		6
— Oficina Meteorológica	1	2
Arizona. Agricultural Experiment Station of the University of Arizona		10
Arkansas. Agricultural Experiment Station		2
Armenian Benevolent Association of Boston	79	
Armstrong, Henry E., Newcastle-upon-Tyne		11
Arnim, A. K. von, Brookline 1,184 newspapers	45	35
Arnold, Howard P.	35	
Art Club of Philadelphia		2
Ashbridge, Hon. Samuel, Philadelphia	1	
Ashton-under-Lyne. Public Library		5
Asociación Salitrera de Propaganda, Iquique		2
Assan, B. G., Bucharest		9
Associated Charities of Boston		1
Association of American Anatomists, Washington		2
Association of American Physicians, Philadelphia	1	
Association of Engineering Societies, Philadelphia	1	
Associazione dell' Industria e del Commercio delle Sete in Italia, Milan		2
Atkinson, Hon. Edward	3	2
Atlanta University		1
Augsburg. Handels- und Gewerbekammer		1
Australian museum, Sydney		5
Austria. K. K. Hof- und Staatsdruckerei in Wien		1
— K. K. Hof- und Universitäts-Buchhändler		1
— K. K. Statistische Central-Commission		10
— K. K. Ackerbau-Ministerium		3
— K. K. Handelsministerium		30
— — Arbeitsstatistisches Amt		7
Avellanus, A., New York City		1
Avery, Elroy M., Cleveland	1	3
Avery, Samuel P., New York City	• 2	

	Vols.	Nos.
Axon, William E. A., Manchester, Eng.	2	
Babcock, Stephen, New York City	1	
Baillie's Institution Free Library, Glasgow	4	
Baird, Henry C., Philadelphia	1	
Baker, Walter, & Co.	1	
Balch, Dr. A. W.	2	
Balch, Edwin S., Philadelphia	1	
Balch, Thomas W., Philadelphia	1	
Baltimore. Chamber of Commerce		1
Baltimore Charity Organization		4
Bamberg, Germany. Stadtmagistrat		11
Bangor. Board of Trade	2	
— Public Library		1
Bangs, Outram	9	
Bank of Japan, Tokyo		4
Banker and Tradesman, Publishers of		2
Baptist Hospital		6
Bar Association of the City of Boston		1
Bar Association of the City of New York	1	
Barbadoes. Colonial Secretary	2	
Barbre, Mrs. Mary P., Chatham, Ill.	1	
Barde, F. S., Guthrie, Oklahoma		1
Barmen, Germany. Handelskammer		1
— Oberbürgermeister		2
Barnard, James M.	83	
Barnard Memorial		7
Barnes, William A.	2	
Barnsley, England. Chamber of Commerce		1
Barringer, Dr. P. B., Charlottesville, Va.	1	
Barrows, Charles M.	1	
Barry, Rev. Henry A.	1	
Barton, Rev. William E., Oak Park, Ill. . 3 programmes	10	
Baruch, Dr. Simon, New York City	2	
Basel, Switzerland. Oeffentliche Bibliothek		1
Batchelder, Miss Isabelle	22	
Batchellor, Hon. Albert S., Concord, N. H.	2	
Batchellor, Robert	1	
Bates College	2	1
Batley, England. Chamber of Commerce		1
Battersea Public Library, London		6
Baxter, Sylvester, Malden 1 broadside		1
Bay State Club, Holyoke	1	
Beacon 2 1900-01 subscriptions		
Beck, Miss Sarah P., Cambridge	7	
Beebe Town Library, Wakefield	1	1
Beer, William, New Orleans	2	
Beet Sugar Gazette Company, Chicago		1
Belfast, Ireland. Chamber of Commerce		1
— Free Public Library		9
Belfast Library and Society for Promoting Knowledge	1	
Belfast, Me. Free Library	1	2
Belgium. Bibliothèque Royale de Belgique	1	
— Commission Centrale de Statistique		1
— Institut Cartographique Militaire 2 maps		
— Ministère de l'Agriculture		1
— Ministère de l'Industrie et du Travail		19
— Ministère de l'Intérieur		5
— Ministère de l'Intérieur et de l'Instruction Publique		1
— Ministère des Chemins de Fer, Postes et Télégraphes		2
— Service Belge des Echanges	2	
Belknap, Capt. Charles E., Grand Rapids	2	
Belknap, P. H., Brookline	1	

	Vols.	Nos.
Bell, J. H.	1	
Bell, Samuel R.	3	
Benevolent Fraternity of Churches		1
Bengal. Chamber of Commerce	3	1
Bennett, Chas. G., Washington		10
Bent, Allen H.	3	
Benton, Josiah H., Jr.	3	
Berg, Dr. Carlos, Buenos Aires		2
Berkshire Baptist Association		1
Berle, Rev. Adolph A.	1	
Berlin. Kaiserliches Statistisches Amt		5
— Magistrat		1
— Statistisches Amt der Stadt Berlin	2	
Berliner Klinische Wochenschrift, Editors of, Berlin	1	
Berluc-Perussis, Léon de, Digne	2	
Berne. Statistisches Bureau		1
Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum, Honolulu	2	4
Berry, John M., Millbury 2 broadsides	3	
Betts, Benjamin, Brooklyn	1	
Beverly Citizen 1900-01 subscription		
Bibliographical Society of Chicago	1	1
Bidwell, Mrs. Lawson B.	1	
Bielefeld, Germany. Handelskammer		1
Bigelow, William S.	4	
Bigelow Free Public Library, Clinton	1	
Billerica, Mass., Town of		1
Bimetallist, Publishers of, London	1	
Binghampton. Board of Health		7
Birmingham. Chamber of Commerce		1
— City Treasurer	1	
— Free Libraries Committee	2	1
— School Board	1	
Blackburn, England. Chamber of Commerce		1
Blackford, Hon. Charles M., Lynchburg	1	
Blaisdell, Frank C.	46	103
Blake, Francis E.	1	
Blanchard, F. S., & Co., Worcester	1	
Blanchard, Luke, West Acton	1	
Blodget, Merritt & Co.		1
Blue Anchor Society, New York City		1
Blue Hill Meteorological Observatory, Milton		2
Boardman, Rev. George D., Philadelphia	1	
Boardman, Samuel L., Bangor	1	
Bochum, Germany. Handelskammer		1
Bodleian Library, Oxford		1
Bollack, Léon, Paris	1	
Bologna, Italy. Consiglio Comunale		1
Bolton, Charles K.	2	
Bolton, Mrs. Sarah K., Cleveland	1	
Bolton, England. Public Library		1
Bonn, Germany. Gesundheitsamt		1
Booth, Alfred, Springfield	1	
Bordeaux. Chambre de Commerce		1
Borden, Miss Caroline		
2 newspaper subscriptions for 1901.		
Bosco, Augusto, Rome		1
Boston. Mayor	7	1
— Board of Health	1	12
— Board of Overseers of the Poor	2	
— Cemetery Department	1	
— Children's Institutions Department		1
— City Auditor	8	6

	Vols.	Nos.
Boston. City Hospital	2	
— City Messenger	115	13
— Department of Baths		1
— Department of Municipal Statistics	2	21
— Institutions Registration Department	1	
— Lamp Department		2
— Park Commissioners		1
— Printing Department	1	
— School Committee	6	43
— In coöperation with book publishers	599	
— Street Department	1	
— Street Laying-out Department	1	
— Treasury and Sinking Fund Departments		1
— Water Department	4	
— Wire Department	2	
Boston and Albany Railroad		9
Boston Art Club		6
Boston Art Students' Association	1	
Boston Asylum and Farm School for Indigent Boys		1
Boston Athenæum	1	9
Boston Authors' Club		1
Boston Book Company	1	2
Boston Browning Society 16 pieces of music	10	3
Boston Budget 1900-01 subscription		
Boston Chamber of Commerce	12	
Boston Children's Aid Society		2
Boston College	3	
Boston Commercial 1900-01 subscription		
Boston Courant 1900-01 subscription		
Boston Courier 1900-01 subscription		
Boston Daily Advertiser 1900-01 subscription		
Boston Dispensary		1
Boston East Baptist Association		6
Boston Elevated Railway Co.		2
Boston Evening Transcript 12 1900-01 subscriptions		429
Boston Fish Bureau		1
Boston Globe 2 1900-01 subscriptions, 3 editions each		
Boston Herald 1900-01 subscription, 2 editions		
Boston Ideas 1900-01 subscription		
Boston Insane Hospital		1
Boston Journal 2 1900-01 subscriptions, 3 editions each	8	
Boston Letonian Social Democratic Publishing Association, Cambridgeport	3	
Boston Museum of Fine Arts		4
— School of Drawing and Painting		3
Boston North Baptist Association		2
Boston Numismatic Society	1	
Boston Philatelic Society	81	2
Boston Port and Seaman's Aid Society		6
Boston Post 2 1900-01 subscriptions, 2 editions each		
Boston Protective Department		1
Boston Provident Association		6
Boston Seaman's Friend Society	1	
Boston Society of Natural History 1 manuscript	84	40
Boston Telegraph 1900-01 subscription		
Boston Times 1900-01 subscription		
Boston Transit Commission	1	
Boston Traveler 2 1900-01 subscriptions		
Boston University		5
— School of Medicine	2	
Boston Young Men's Christian Union	1	
Boston Young Women's Christian Association		2

	Vols.	Nos.
Bostoner Anzeiger 1900-01 subscription		
Bostonian Society		2
Bourne, Rev. Theodore, Montclair, N. J.	1	
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Trask, William B.	1	1
Trent, Austria. Magistrato Civico		10
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United Hebrew Charities of the City of New York		3
United States. Board of Indian Commissioners	1	
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— Commission of Fish and Fisheries	1	
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— Commissioners to the Paris Exposition of 1900	3	1
— Department of Education	2	
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— Public Library of Western Australia	2	
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— Magistrat	1	
Virginia. Agricultural Experiment Station		8
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Volta Bureau, Washington	1	1
Wade, Joseph M.	2	
Wade, Stuart C., New York City	1	
Wadsworth Athenæum, Hartford	1	
Wakefield, England. Chamber of Commerce		1
Walcott, George H.		3
Walker, Hon. J. H., Washington	5	
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Waltham. Public Library		10
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— Patent Office	1	1
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— Free Library Commission	1	5
— State Superintendent of Education	3	
Wisconsin State Historical Society	8	13
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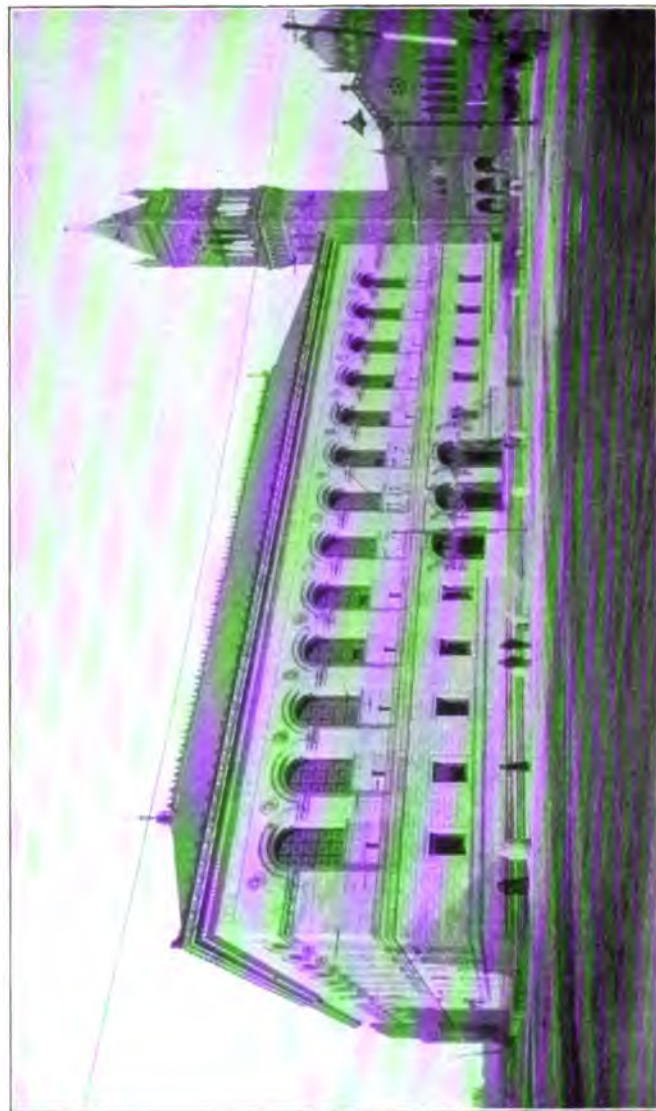
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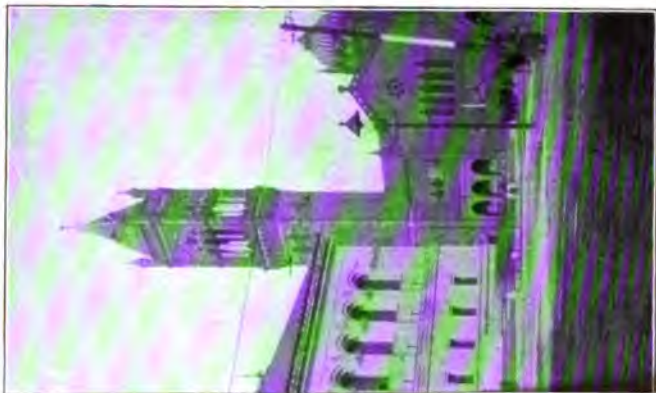
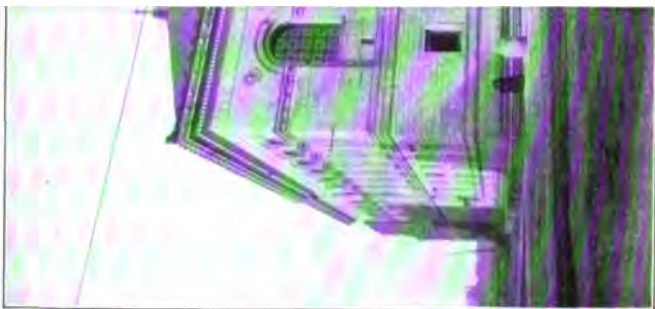


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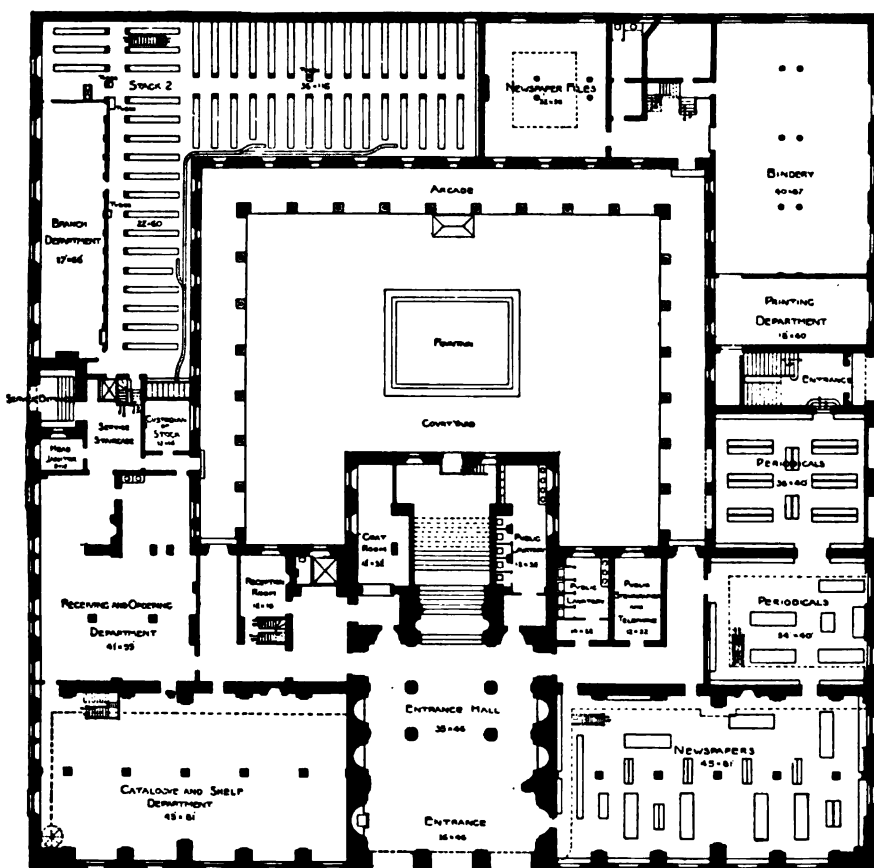


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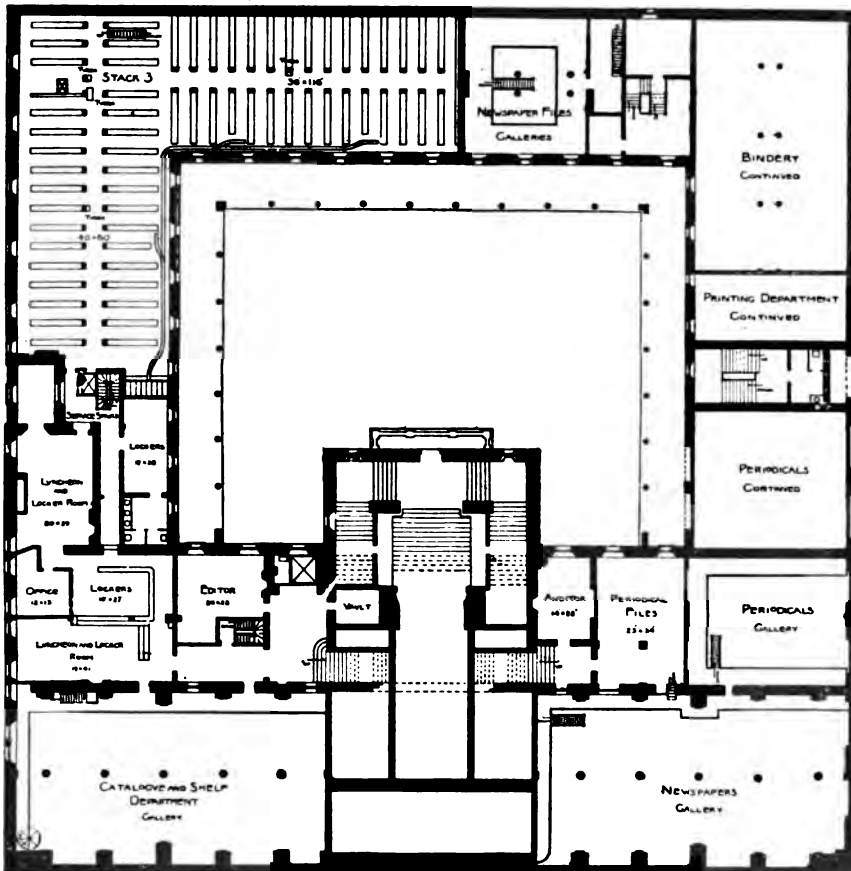
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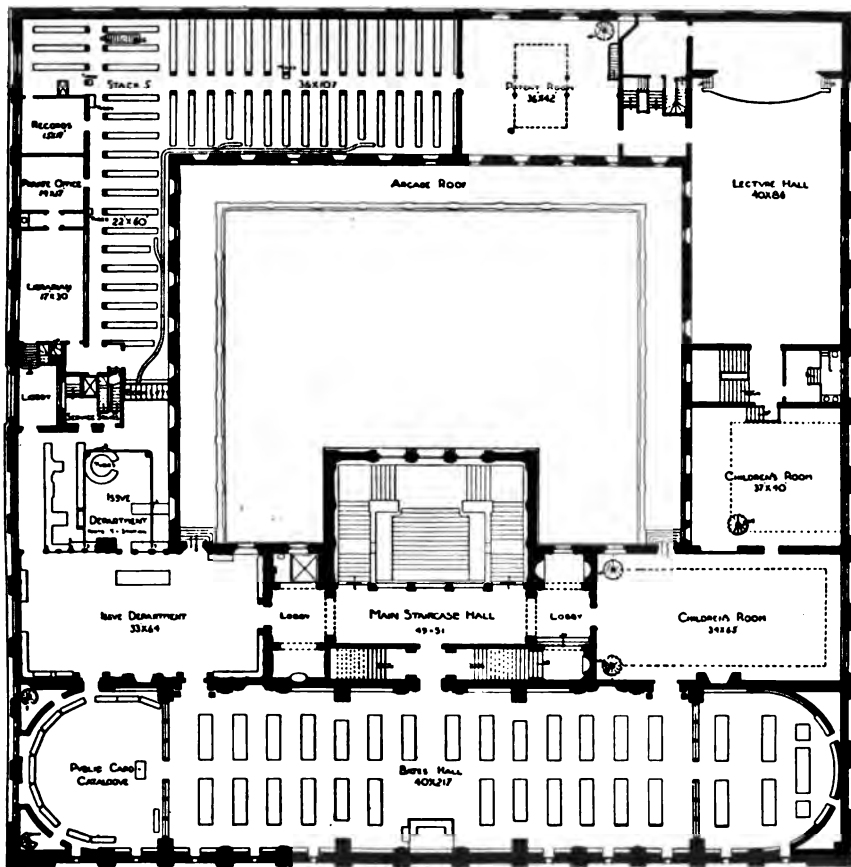
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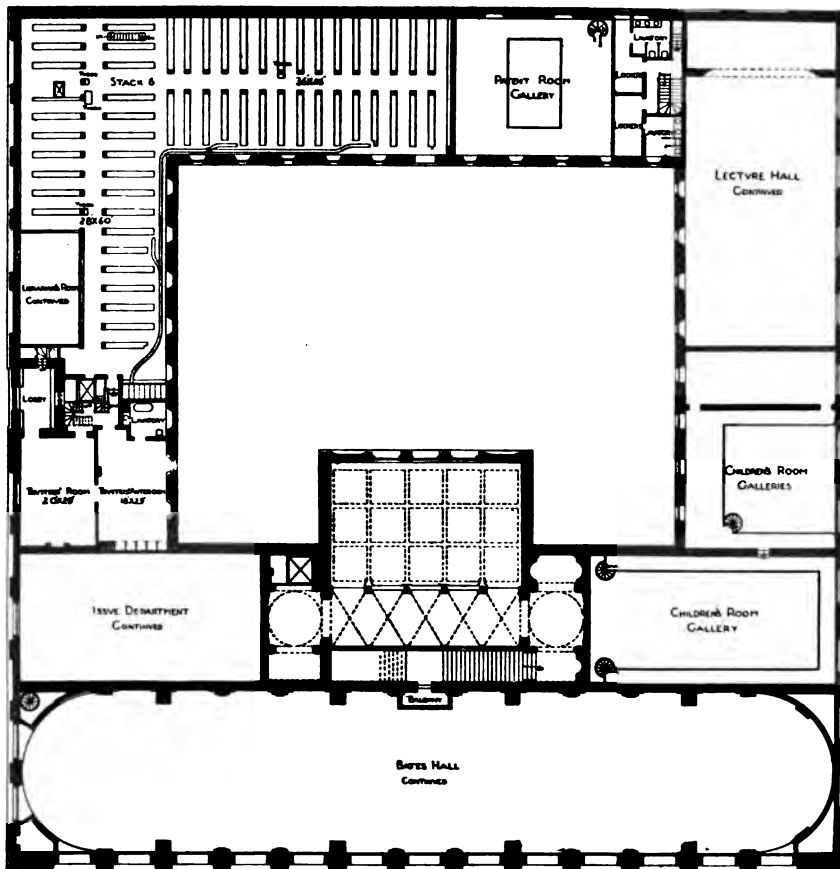
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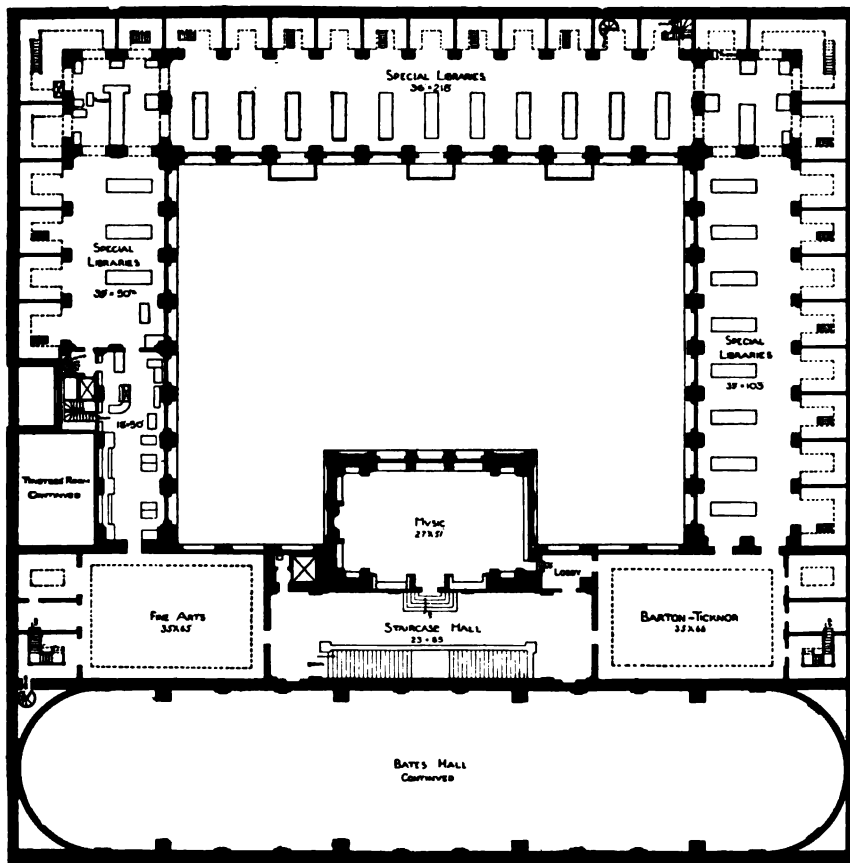
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TO HIS HONOR PATRICK A. COLLINS,

Mayor of the City of Boston:

The Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston present the following report of its condition for the year ending January 31, 1902, being their fiftieth annual report.

During the year Mr. Solomon Lincoln was reappointed a Trustee to serve for five years from May 1, 1901. The Board was organized in May, 1901, by the election of Mr. Lincoln as President and Dr. DeNormandie as Vice-President. Miss Della Jean Deery was reëlected Clerk of the corporation.

The financial condition of the Library for the year covered by this report is briefly stated as follows:

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries	\$183,525 12	
Books and photographs	39,417 78	
Periodicals	6,437 63	
Newspapers	1,739 01	
General maintenance	97,110 36	
	<hr/>	\$328,229 90
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RECEIPTS.

City appropriation	\$302,000 00	
Income from trust funds	18,548 67	
Miscellaneous sources, gifts, etc., including cash on deposit in London	7,681 23	
	<hr/>	\$328,229 90
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The Trustees append to this report the reports of the Librarian, of the Auditor and of the Examining Committee of Citizens. To all these reference must be had for a detailed account of the management of the Library. In this report it is unnecessary to furnish more than a general account of its affairs.

The history of the Library is, as usual, a history of large expansion. There are now one hundred and seventeen agencies of the Library. Last year there were eighty-seven. These comprise the Central Library on Copley square, ten branch libraries, twenty-one delivery stations, forty-four schools (as against twenty-one at the time of the last report), thirty-three engine houses, and eight city institutions. Not merely have new stations been established, but the hours during which many are kept open have been extended.

The cards of borrowers of books have increased from 61,340 on January 31, 1901, to 72,902 at the close of the present year — a gain of 11,562. This increase indicates a large growth in the use of the Library. This use the Trustees endeavor to stimulate in various ways. They have continued the exhibitions of photographs, illustrative of some subject of immediate popular interest, and have added many photographs by purchase.

A series of lectures has been given on Monday evenings in the Lecture Room of the Library by eminent gentlemen. This year the subject of the series was "Methods of Municipal Administration." No compensation is paid to the lecturers, and the course occasions no expense to the Library beyond what is merely incidental.

Requests for further expansions of the system are frequently presented to the Trustees, and in many cases they are meritorious. Some of the stations most recently established deliver more books than the earlier ones, but the Trustees, in their estimates of the needs of the Library, have never included provision for the establishment of new stations, and have left such provision to the liberality of the City Government.

The need of a new building for the branch library at Charlestown is often called to the attention of the Trustees. They have made such arrangements in the rooms at present occupied by the Charlestown Branch as relieve the immediate pressure for more space, but although the sum of \$30,000 has been appropriated by the city to provide a new library in this part of the city, the Trustees have not yet found a situation which seems to them satisfactory.

The number of volumes added to the Library during the year is 35,835. These were obtained partly by purchase, partly by gift, and a few by exchange and from other sources. The number of volumes in the Library at the close of the year covered by this report was 812,264. The report of the Librarian contains many interesting details relating to the character of the additions to the Library. The home use of books taken from the Library during the year ending January 31, 1902, is 1,483,513, being an increase over the preceding year of 158,875.

The demand for works of fiction is always very large in any library of popular circulation, and in the selection of books of this sort the Trustees have received not only the assistance of the regular staff of the Library, but the valuable gratuitous aid of an efficient committee of ladies and gentlemen. The Trustees, however, are of opinion that most of the books of this character now published have little permanent or even temporary value, and have of late diminished the purchase of such books until their value can be tested by time.

The Examining Committee of Citizens for the year was constituted as follows:

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Miss Maria E. Wood.

This committee was organized by the appointment of various sub-committees, and its members gave much attention to the affairs of the Library. Their recommendations are exhibited as an appendix to this report, and always receive the careful consideration of the Trustees.

The decoration of the ceiling in the Elliott Room, painted by Mr. John Elliott, entitled "The Triumph of Time," was completed and made public on the 17th of March, 1901.

The removal of the gallery in this room and the new book-cases which have been placed there have made this room one of the attractive features of the Library.

During the year Mr. Edwin A. Abbey's series of panels illustrating "The Quest and Achievement of the Holy Grail" has been completed and placed in the Delivery Room. These paintings constitute something much more important than a beautiful decoration. Mr. Abbey has given to them many years of faithful and interested labor, and while he has thus added to his own fame the Library has acquired a work of very high and permanent artistic value.

The Department of Statistics and of Manuscripts and Broad-sides, recently established and in charge of Mr. Worthington C. Ford, continues to justify the wisdom of its establishment. It is much resorted to, and has received important additions by purchase and exchange. Frequent inquiries are addressed to it, and it has proved of great service, especially to a country like our own, where new questions of public economy constantly arise.

The publications of the Library have been continued as heretofore established, and much interesting historical matter has been published in the Monthly Bulletins. While the Trustees are aware that publications by the Library are of secondary importance to the purchase and distribution of books, they yet find that such publications attract attention to the Library, spread its fame, and are a distinct source of valuable returns to it.

A considerable part of the expenditure of the Library and of the work of the Library Staff is devoted to the extension and completion of the catalogue. This expenditure and labor are of prime importance and absolutely necessary in order to render the contents of the Library available, but the details of this service are too intricate to be treated in a general report, and reference must be had to the special reports hereto appended.

Gifts to the Library are numerous, largely of single works. These are partially recounted in the Librarian's report. The Trustees continue to hope that the Library may be the continued object of large gifts and bequests. It is from such sources that it must derive the more valuable additions which give to it a high and permanent rank.

We are approaching the completion of fifty years since the opening of the Library. From modest beginnings it has grown to be one of the great libraries of the world, and the

first great library provided by and for the people. It is a credit to the intelligent liberality of the city. The Trustees have in contemplation some mode of signalizing the completion of the fifty years.

SOLOMON LINCOLN,
President.

JAMES DE NORMANDIE,
Vice President.

JOSIAH H. BENTON, JR.
HENRY P. BOWDITCH.
THOMAS DWIGHT.

May 16, 1902.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Board of Trustees :

The report of the Librarian for the year ending January 31, 1902, is hereby submitted.

THE LIBRARY SYSTEM.

The Library system of agencies now comprises :

The Central Library on Copley square.

Ten branch libraries, with permanent collections of books.

Twenty-one delivery stations (of which ten are reading-rooms), two service stations, and nine shop stations. A new reading-room has been established during the past year, and two stations changed to reading-rooms.

Of agencies receiving books on deposit there are forty-four schools, as against twenty-one the preceding year (eighteen supplied from the Central Library and twenty-six from the branches); thirty-three engine-houses, as against twenty-nine in 1900, and eight city institutions, as against six the preceding year.

In all, there are one hundred and seventeen agencies, as against eighty-seven a year ago.

FINANCE.

The receipts and payments of the Library for the year may be found in the statement of the Auditor of the Library (Appendix I. of this report).

The sum of \$4,000 has been received as a legacy from the late Abram E. Cutter, of Charlestown. By the will the Library is to receive his library of books, subject to a life interest for his widow.

BUILDINGS, EQUIPMENT, AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION.

Changes, long desired, have been effected by which the temperature of Bates Hall has been made satisfactory. The thermometer, which at half past nine A.M. during the winter, has hitherto registered from 58° to 64° Fahrenheit,

now stands at 70°, and, by means of the thermostat, is kept fixed at a desired point. It is believed that this improvement will be accompanied by a reduced consumption of coal. The steam pipes in the inside gutters of the building having worn out, have been replaced by stronger brass tubing. The boilers have been reset in brick from the foundation up. Needed repairs have been made upon the piping connected with the radiators.

The ventilation of the Catalogue Room and other parts of the Library has been improved.

The machinery of the Library (its engines, dynamos, elevators, etc.) has run regularly and without any accident. These receive official inspection at stated intervals.

WORKS OF ART.

THE ELLIOTT DECORATION.

The ceiling decoration by Mr. John Elliott, "The Triumph of Time," was made public on March 17, 1901, in the Elliott Room. The gallery of this room, which interfered with a view of the picture, has been removed. New book-cases have been built, to which the President John Adams Library has been transferred. The room is now distinctly attractive, and the decoration is seen to its full advantage.

THE ABBEY DECORATIONS.

The concluding portion of the Holy Grail series of decorative panels, painted by Mr. Edwin A. Abbey, has been received and put in place in the Delivery Room of the Library. The ceiling has been elaborately treated, ornaments in lead, in low relief, having been applied to the beams and painted with a slight use of gold. The decoration has been kept subordinate to Mr. Abbey's paintings, and the original scheme of Messrs. McKim, Mead & White, the architects, carried out, as in the Elliott Room, by Mr. H. M. Lawrence, the contractors being the Lewis F. Perry & Whitney Company of Boston.

Descriptions of these two decorations are printed in an Appendix to this report.

The walls of the upper hall have been prepared for the installation of a second part of the Sargent decorations.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

The following record of the additions to the Library for the past year is taken from the report of Miss Theodosia E.

Macurdy, Chief of the Ordering and Receiving Department. These accessions, as distinguished from the number of books which have actually reached the shelves, and excluding mere transfers from one department to another, number 35,835 volumes, as against 37,179 in 1900, and 30,506 in 1899. They are distributed as follows:

	Central Library, Volumes.	Branches, Volumes.	Total Volumes.
Added by purchase	13,741	9,437	23,178
Added by gift	6,804	221	7,025
Added by exchange	436	—	436
Added by periodicals, bound	2,317	434	2,751
Added by Statistical Department (gifts)	2,445	—	2,445
Total	25,743	10,092	35,835

The number of volumes in the Library, January 31, 1902, was 812,264.

Books bought for the Central Library:

City appropriation	11,924	
Trust funds	1,817	
		13,741

Books bought for branches:

City appropriation	8,039	
Special appropriation	491	
Fellowes Athenæum	907	
		9,437
		23,178

The sum paid for books, periodicals and newspapers was \$49,232.21, as against \$44,575.20 for the preceding year. This amount includes \$587.79 paid from a special appropriation for Station P (Broadway Extension), and \$1,050 paid by the Fellowes Athenæum for the Roxbury Branch. The total is the largest sum ever spent in a single year by the Library, and it has been enabled thereby to obtain many valuable books and manuscripts, in addition to the current publications of popular interest.

The payments for 1901-2 have been as follows:

City money expended for books:

For the Central Library (including Deposit Collection)	\$18,612 33	
For branches	9,509 18	
		\$28,121 51
Amount carried forward		\$28,121 51

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<i>Amount brought forward</i>		\$28,121 51
City money expended for periodicals:		
Central Library	\$4,731 08	
Branches and stations	1,708 55	
		<u>6,437 63</u>
Total city money expended		\$34,559 14
Trust funds expended for books	\$10,809 66	
Trust funds expended for newspapers	1,739 01	
Total trust funds expended		<u>12,548 67</u>

In addition to these amounts purchases were made from the following special funds:

Numismatic fund	\$122 52	
Hyams gift	108 60	
Carnegie gift	113 86	
Dunphy gift	12 22	
Mrs. John A. Lewis gift	67 19	
Hemenway gift	62 22	
		<u>486 61</u>
Station P (Broadway Extension), special appropriation	\$587 79	
Fellowes Athenæum	1,050 00	
		<u>1,637 79</u>
Total amount paid for books, periodicals and newspapers, 1901-2		<u>\$49,232 21</u>

The accessions of the year comprise a large number of notable books and groups of books. Conspicuous among these are: Illuminated manuscripts, Incunabula, American colonial histories, including broadsides and manuscripts, old Boston newspapers, English literature and drama, sixteenth through the eighteenth centuries; Fine arts and Architecture, Photographs, Works in sociology, natural history, American poetry, forestry, Books in Polish and in modern Hebrew.

ILLUMINATED MANUSCRIPTS.

Last year the attention of the Trustees was directed to the fact that the Library possessed but few specimens of early manuscripts illustrative of bookmaking before the invention of printing, or before the printer and engraver had superseded the scribe and illuminator. Arrangements were made with Mr. Sydney C. Cockerell of London, to obtain for the Library a series of manuscripts which should exhibit as far as possible the characteristic writing and illumination of the time in which they were produced. The manuscripts thus acquired comprise examples from the twelfth to the sixteenth century, some thirty-five in all, of which a few are herewith noted.

Comestor, Petrus (Hystoria scolastica). Manuscript of the twelfth century, on vellum, folio, written in Gothic letters, with painted red capitals.

Biblia Sacra Latina, 461 folios.—Illuminated initial letters; the text rubricated throughout. A French manuscript on vellum of the late thirteenth or early fourteenth century, from the library of William Morris. Mr. Cockerell states that this manuscript was regarded by Mr. Morris with especial affection on account of the extraordinary beauty of the pen initials in it.

Latin Psalter, 155 folios, small folio.—An English manuscript on vellum of the first half of the fifteenth century, containing Calendar, Psalms, Canticles, Litany and Collects.

Histoire Universelle.—Cysensuit la genealogie de la Bible qui monstre et dit combien chascun aage a dure depuis le commencement du monde iusques al advenement Jhū Crist . . . avec les Papes Empereurs, Rois de Jerusalem depuis Godefroy de Bouillon, Rois de France et Rois d'Angleterre jusque en lan MCCCIII. This is a fifteenth century manuscript vellum roll, thirty-nine feet long, with fifty-nine painted and illuminated miniatures, illuminated capitals and marginal decorations. From the Barrois Collection of the Earl of Ashburnham.

INCUNABULA.

To the collection of incunabula in the Library ten books printed in the latter part of the fifteenth century have been added, one of which, *Barberiis, P. de, Opusculum de vaticiniis Sibillarum, Colophon, Impressum Oppenheim, 1498 (?)*, contains thirteen full-page woodcuts. Another is a folio Bible, the first book printed at Würzburg, circa 1475.

COLONIAL HISTORY.

Among the American historical documents obtained are Acts and Resolves of Rhode Island, seventy-four in all, covering with some exceptions the period from 1761 to 1796. The broadsides include one sent out by the Committee of Safety, July, 1775, beginning: "Gentlemen. In obedience to the Order of Congress we have proportioned thirteen thousand Coats on all the Towns and Districts . . ."; this has attached a specimen of the cloth required; a Thanksgiving Proclamation (Massachusetts Colony), 1749, and a Fast Day Proclamation, 1776.

To the files of early Boston newspapers have been added nearly 200 numbers of the *Boston News-Letter*, 1747–1768;

fifty numbers of the *Massachusetts Gazette*, 1772-4; twenty-seven numbers of the *Boston Pilot*, 1812, and 218 numbers of the *Chronotype*, 1847-1851. A copy of the *Boston Directory* for 1798 has been obtained, which completes the Library file from 1780-1901, with the exception of 1815. Numerous New England Primers from 1758 on have been secured.

ENGLISH LITERATURE.

The collection of English dramatists has been increased by fifty volumes, among them first editions of Thomas Southern's *Oroonoko*, 1696; Sir William Davenant's *Platonick lovers*, 1636; Lady Elizabeth Carew's (or Carey's) *Tragedie of Mariam*, 1612; and Francis Kirkman's *True . . . catalogue of all the comedies, tragedies, . . . pastorals, masques and interludes . . . yet printed and published till . . . 1671*. Also sixty volumes of sixteenth and seventeenth century writings, notably Michael Drayton's *Poly-Olbion*, 1612, 1622, first editions, the two parts in one volume; *Dictys Cretensis, The avncient historie and onely trewe and syncere cronicle of the warres betwixte the Grecians and the Troyans . . . wrytten by Daretus a Troyan and Dictus a Grecian . . . digested in Latyn by . . . Guydo de Columpnis and . . . translated in to Englyshe verse by Iohn Lydgate Moncke of Burye . . . 1555*; Thomas Moffett's *The silkwormes and their flies*, 1599; and William Langland's *Vision of Pierce Plowman now fyrste imprynted, Colophon, . . . 1550*. Black letter. To the Charlotte Harris Collection were also added one hundred volumes, largely the writings of English theologians of the seventeenth century, but including also other writers of an earlier period. Of these perhaps the most interesting is Melanchthon's *Loci Præcipvi theologici, Lipsiae, 1553*. This is said to have been Melanchthon's own copy, and to be annotated in his handwriting.

FINE ARTS AND ARCHITECTURE.

A few typical accessions to the collection of Fine Arts and Architecture should be mentioned. The current acquisitions have been unusually large and represent a careful selection of material found in a mass of catalogues, prospectuses and lists, and from books offered for examination. They include Steinmann, *Die sixtinische Kapelle, München, 1901*, of which the first part has appeared; Furtwängler and Reichhold, *Griechische Vasenmalerei, München, 1900*; Gurlitt, *Historische Städtebilder, B. 1, 2, Berlin, 1901*;

Lessing, *Die Gewebe-Sammlung des Königlichen Gewerbe-Museums*, 1901; Sarre, *Denkmäler persischer Baukunst*, Berlin, 1901; and Nolhac, *La Création de Versailles*, Paris, 1901.

NATURAL HISTORY.

The sale of the Milne-Edwards library in Paris, last summer, gave an opportunity to secure a good collection of works (many of them classics) on natural history. Among them are the following: Audebert et Vieillot, *Oiseaux dorés, ou à reflets métalliques*, Paris, 1802, 2 vols., large folio, colored plates; Dumeril et Bibron, *Erpétologie générale*, Paris, 1834-54, 10 vols. and atlas of 102 plates; Lesson, *Histoire naturelle générale et particulière des mammifères et des oiseaux découverts depuis la mort de Buffon*, Paris, 1834-36, 10 vols.; *Dictionnaire classique d'histoire naturelle*, par Messieurs Audouin, Bourdon . . . et Bory de Saint-Vincent, Paris, 1822-31, 16 vols. and atlas of colored plates.

AMERICAN POETRY.

To the Longfellow Memorial Collection, 130 volumes of American poetry, published between 1800-1860, have been added.

PARIS EXPOSITION LITERATURE.

In 1900 arrangements were made to collect the official literature of the Paris Exposition, and also the publications of all the congresses which assembled in Paris during that time. About two hundred volumes were obtained by purchase and a number by gift.

SPANISH. TICKNOR COLLECTION.

Numerous works have been obtained for the Ticknor Library, including Francisco de Berganza, *Antigüedades de España*, Madrid, 1719-21, 2 vols.; *Cancionero general agora nuevamēte añadido*, Toledo, . . . 1527. Also, Nuñez de Guzman, Hernan, *Refranes, o proverbios en romance*, Salamanca, 1555.

SERIALS.

The following sets of serials were added in 1901: *Archives de pharmacodynamie*, Paris, 1895-1901; *Bijdragen tot de natuurkundige wetenschappen*, Amsterdam, 1826-32 (all published); *Bulletin de la Société de l'histoire de Paris et de l'Île-de-France*, 1874-1901; *Journal of physiology*, London,

vols. 1-17, completing the Library set; Korean repository, Seoul, Korea, 1892-98 (all published); Monthly magazine, London, 33 volumes, which filled gaps in the Library set from 1796-1860.

Other purchases are as follows: Luthers Werke, Kritische Gesamtausgabe, 24 vols., Weimar, 1883-1901 (a few volumes of this superb work are still to be published); Prussia, Königlich-preussisches statistisches Bureau, Preussische Statistik, 1861-98, 59 vols.; Schriften des Vereins für Socialpolitik, 1873-1901, 82 vols.; Homer, Ilias cum scholiis, codex Venetus A, Marcianus 454 phototypice editus, Lugduni Batavorum, 1901 (Codices Graeci et Latini photographice depicti, duce Scatone De Vries. Vol. 6); Giacosa, Piero, Magistri Salernitani nondum editi, catalogo ragionato della esposizione di storia della medicina aperta in Torino nel 1898, Torino, 1901, with manuscripts reproduced; Zichy, Jenő, Dritte asiatische Forschungsreise, Budapest, 1901 (2 vols. published).

A copy of the following has been received: The faerie qveen: The shepheards calendar: together with the other works of England's arch-poet Edm. Spenser. Collected into one volume, and carefully corrected. (London.) Printed by H. L. for Mathew Lownes, 1611. Bound by Broca in full red morocco. This is properly the first collected edition of Spenser's works.

With the income of the Dr. Samuel A. Green fund has been obtained Benjamin Franklin's copy of The history of the British Dominions in North America, London, 1773 (Anon.). This book was formerly owned by Josiah Quincy, who purchased it out of Franklin's library. It has passages marked by Franklin, indicating that he wrote them.

The Library has received also Stanford's London atlas of universal geography, Folio edition, 2d issue, enlarged, London, 1898, 100 maps.

At Dr. Henry P. Bowditch's suggestion, Drs. J. C. Warren, R. H. Fitz, and J. C. White recommended a list of books for purchase suitable for collateral reading for medical students. The Library has subscribed to the series of Yale Bicentennial Publications; to the Victoria History of the counties of England; to the Reports of the Princeton University expeditions to Patagonia, 1896-99; to the Massachusetts Vital records, publications undertaken by the New England Historic-Genealogical Society; and to the proposed reproduction of the Codex Venetus of Aristophanes by the Archaeological Institute of America, and the English Society for the promotion of Hellenic Studies. Admission has been

granted to membership in the following societies: Alcuin Club, London (for promoting the study of the history and use of the Book of Common Prayer), Gesellschaft für romanische Litteratur, Dresden (for the issue of critical editions of unpublished and rare manuscripts); and the Type Facsimile Society, Oxshott (for the reproduction of rare types).

SPECIAL PURCHASES OF POPULAR BOOKS.

The new reading-room, at Orient Heights, has been supplied with the usual equipment of books, consisting of about 800 volumes, including reference books on history, biography, geography and popular natural history, together with encyclopædias and dictionaries. About a hundred volumes of standard and current fiction were also bought for this reading-room, and a few books on history and literature in the Italian language. Eleven popular periodicals were also subscribed for. The cost was \$1,292.70. An expenditure of \$443.57 has been made for Roslindale this year, to supplement the collection of books bought in 1900. A collection of reference books, which included Rolfe's edition of Shakespeare in forty volumes, Lippincott's Dictionary of biography, Harper's Book of facts, Rand and McNally's Atlas, etc., was bought for the various stations. Unusually large purchases for the Charles-town Branch have been made and brought up the outlay to \$1,535 for the year.

FICTION.

The current fiction added in 1901, 3,938 volumes, has exceeded by 506 volumes the number added in 1900. The total number of volumes of fiction added (including replacements and additional copies) was 8,014, at a cost of \$7,868.12, as against 6,473 volumes bought in 1900 at a cost of \$5,867.48. The expenditure this year for fiction is about 28 per cent. of the total city appropriation spent for books.

Besides printed books the following have been bought:

551 photographs.
22 maps.
181 manuscripts.
22 manuscript volumes.
102 broadsides.
618 newspapers.

25 plates.
58 manuscript bills, etc.
12 documents, signed (revolutionary period).
31 pieces of Continental currency.

AUCTION SALES.

Bids have been made at thirty-six auction sales. The amount of money authorized was \$3,959.25; the sum spent was \$2,784.65. The advantage of sending a Library representative to important sales has been clearly shown.

THE RECOMMENDATION OF BOOKS FOR PURCHASE.

The acknowledgments of the Library are due to the friends who have suggested the titles of books for purchase. Mr. Thomas S. Perry, who has lately returned from Japan, now continues the aid which he has generously given for many years.

The Fiction Committee have read 763 works of fiction, including children's books, as against 683 the preceding year. Of these, 422 were accepted by the Trustees, including twenty-seven unfavorably reported on by the committee, and 335 were rejected, including 107 favorably reported on.

In addition to what has been done by this committee, all works of fiction are looked over by members of the Library staff. Under these conditions it would seem wise for this Library to grapple with such books as they are received, and after a careful examination to select the best rather than to defer action for a year, or three years, as has been suggested.

Care is taken when certain books are worn out to replace them by those of enduring worth. As a result of this sifting, the fiction read at this Library has improved in quality.

There were bought last year 3,938 copies of works of current fiction, as against 3,191 in 1900, and 2,169 in 1899. In 1901 the expense was \$3,613; in 1900, \$2,750; and in 1899, \$1,861.

THE CATALOGUE DEPARTMENT.

A long-desired change has been made in the Bates Hall card catalogue. New cases having been added, the entire collection of cards has been shifted, and equipped with a single rod, replacing the clumsy double rods heretofore used. This change involved the trimming and punching of not less than 1,200,000 cards, and their readjustment in the 2,100 cases of that catalogue. This laborious work has been done by Mr. Rice, Mr. Brennan and Mr. Reardon, to whom an especial acknowledgment is due.

In the report of Mr. Edward B. Hunt, Chief of the Catalogue Department, are the following tables :

	1901-02.	1900-01.
Number of volumes and parts catalogued or recatalogued	59,745	61,817
Number of titles for the same	33,988	38,521

These totals include the following items :

Number of new volumes and parts (Central Library)	23,352	23,867
Number of titles for the same	15,996	17,341
Number of volumes and parts recatalogued	20,111	23,898
Number of titles for the same	7,329	11,641
Number of serials added	5,508	4,104

Branch libraries :

Number of volumes catalogued	10,774	9,948
Number of titles for the same	10,202	6,724

For the Coöperative Index of scientific periodicals, 491 titles have been catalogued at this Library. From the other co-workers 2,318 titles have been received.

For each book catalogued the titles are printed and the proper headings inscribed. One set is needed for the Bates Hall catalogue, a duplicate set for the Officers' catalogue, and a triplicate set for such titles as are needed for the special catalogues, such as those of the Fine Arts and Technical Arts, the Statistical Department, the Music Library, and Ticknor and Barton Libraries, as well as for the Bulletin and other publications of the Library.

There have been printed, headings written for and filed the past year 232,321 cards, as against 167,430 in 1900 and 153,500 in 1899. Of these 232,321 cards, 67,021 were placed in the special libraries. In addition, 32,741 cards have been written and sent to the branches. In 1901, therefore, 265,062 cards were placed in the catalogues as against 93,000 ten years ago, in the Boylston-street building. This is an illustration of the development of the Library since it was moved to Copley square.

The transfer of all the books not fiction from Stack IV. to the other stacks, with the recataloguing necessary, has gone on steadily. About two-thirds of the work is done.

An Italian Fiction List has been prepared by Miss Mary H. Rollins. A Branch Finding List has also been prepared.

The subject of furnishing to the Catalogue Department a steady and sufficient supply of printed cards is mentioned in the report on the Printing Department.

Three lists are to be published: one of English fiction, one of books for the young, and a consolidated list for the branch libraries. In the preparation of these lists there has

been a coöperation between the Catalogue, Issue, Children's and Branch departments.

This department has met with the loss of two of its members, long in the service. Miss Carrie Burnell, who came to the Library May 23, 1881, died on the 19th of August. Mrs. Lillian F. Seaver, who had been here since January 25, 1888, resigned July 27.

PUBLICATIONS.

From the report of Mr. Lindsay Swift, Editor of the publications of the Library, the following facts are gathered:

Publications for 1901-1902.	Date of issue.	Pages.	Edition.	Price.
Monthly Bulletins.....	1st of each month,	496	*5,000	Free.
Branch finding list No. 4.....	Sept. 1, 1901,	56	5,300	Free.
List for the young, 3d edition and supplement. (Reprinted).....	Dec., 1901,	77	1,800	\$.01
Annual list.....	Jan. 1, 1902,	214	3,000	.05
Italian fiction list.....	Oct., 1901,	27	1,600	.10
Rules and Regulations.....	Oct., 1901,	16	4,000	Free.

Total, 886 pages edited and issued. Printed matter, 3,521,200 pages. In 1899 there were printed 793 pages, and in 1900, 821 — a gain of about 3½ per cent. This year there has been a gain of 8 per cent. over 1900, and over 1899 of nearly 12 per cent.

In the Monthly Bulletins during the interval noted for the year (March, 1901, to February, 1902) there have appeared, in addition to the titles of new books, the following:

Lowell Lectures, programme of.

Lowell Lectures, selected titles in connection with, as follows:

Philosophical undertones of modern poetry, by Prof. William Knight.

Bearing of modern discovery on the nebular theory, by Sir Robert Ball.

Development of democracy in France and England, by G. Lowes Dickinson, M.A.

Results of experimental psychology, by Prof. H. Münsterberg.

Control and development of tropical colonies, by Alleyne Ireland, F.R.G.S.

Tragedy of human imperfection in Shakespeare, by Henry A. Clapp.

Economic entomology, by Prof. L. O. Howard.

Academic freedom, by President A. T. Hadley.

* Editions of Monthly Bulletins, June-September inclusive, 4,000 copies.

- Institutions and political ideas of the Chinese, by Hon. Chester Holcombe.
- Journal of a survey in 1791, for a canal across Cape Cod, by James Winthrop, from MS. in Library (conclusion).
- Manuscript sermons of Thomas Starr King, calendar of.
- Historical manuscripts from originals in the collections of the Library:
- Dr. Philip Doddridge to his wife (1747).
- Minister's salary at Lebanon, Conn. (1758).
- Petition on the Canadian fisheries (1772).
- Bounds between Boston and Charlestown (1635).
- Philip Mazzei to Thomas Jefferson (1780).
- John Jay to Silas Deane (1780).
- Same to Jeremiah Wadsworth (1789).
- William Carmichael to — Harrison (1781).
- Boston Massacre (1770): letters from Catherine Macaulay, W. Bollen, T. Pownall.
- James Madison: draft of message on first United States bank (1791); letter to Horatio Gates (1794); letter to J. L. Cathcart (1802).
- William Cocke to Governor Sevier (1796).
- Low Colville to Selectmen of Boston (1752).
- John Quincy Adams to William Plumer (1810).
- Same to William Plumer, Jr. (1827).
- Same to — (1831).
- John Adams to William Plumer (1812, 1814).
- Mosquito shore: four letters from Lord North to the Governor of Jamaica (1783).
- Robert Smith to Thomas Jefferson (1803).
- William Eustis to Nicolas Gilman (1808).
- William Plumer to Nicolas Gilman (1808).
- J. M. Berrien to Charles Harris (1810).
- William Plumer to Salma Hale (1818).
- William Eustis to Henry Dearborn (1808).
- Jonathan Russell to Joel Barlow (1812).
- S. L. Mitchell to H. W. Dearborn (1812).
- J. A. Bayard to — (1813).
- W. H. Harrison: to General Meigs (1812); to Langdon Cheeves (1819).
- Governor George Ross to Col. James Burd and other officers (1776).
- Francis Lightfoot Lee to Governor of Maryland (1778).
- William Whipple to Josiah Bartlett (1779).
- Address of Massachusetts regiments to Major-General Heath (1779).
- A business custom in Boston (1719).

An Indian as property (1721).

The counterfeiting of Colonial Money (1735-39).

Oliver Wolcott to Tappan Reeve (1781).

Richard Henry Lee to Arthur Lee (1781).

Robert Morris to John Nicholson (1785).

Deposition of John Marshall, Court of Chancery, Virginia (1803).

Works of fiction in the Italian language. Author list.

Same. Title list.

There has been a steady and increasing demand for the Bulletin, and but few copies remain on hand. The reprinting of the Y List and Supplement serves only as a stop-gap until such time as the projected Juvenile List (on a far more comprehensive scale) can be offered for publication.

The Italian fiction catalogue, long contemplated and needed, is a satisfactory adjunct to the card catalogue, and fills a want which the latter cannot undertake to meet. Great need is felt for another German fiction and another French fiction catalogue.

Chief among recent contributions to our more scholarly publications, I mention the rescripts from historical manuscripts furnished by Mr. Ford, from the various collections of which he is custodian, and in particular from the Chamberlain collection, the riches of which are thus being gradually opened to the use of the public in general and of historical scholars in particular.

While one number of the Monthly Bulletin may seem to contain no material of engrossing interest, the total amount already printed, especially during the past year, is growing large.

The latest issue of the Annual List was not only the largest but the most effective of any of the five issues since the publication was begun (January 1, 1898). Of the edition of 3,000 which appeared January 1, 1902, less than 300 remained in stock two months after that date, and the sales are far ahead of last year. This is largely due to the efficient interest shown by Mr. Ward (throughout the general system), and by Mr. Blaisdell (in Bates Hall in the day time and the Issue desk in the evening). It must always be insisted that the objective point of our regular publications is that class of citizens who for one reason or another cannot avail themselves of the card catalogues. This class, so far as it is possible to reach it, can only be touched through the medium of personal influence at the branches and other agencies.

SHELF DEPARTMENT OF THE CENTRAL LIBRARY.

The additions to the shelves of the Central Library have been :

	Volumes.
General Collection, including Deposit Collection	18,078
Special Libraries	2,136
Statistical Department	2,492
Total	22,706

The responsibility of sending out and receiving books bound falls on this department. The number of volumes and pamphlets sent by it to various binderies was 19,334.

New shelving having been added to the stacks, it has been possible to rearrange the books and relieve the crowded ranges, thus materially helping the work of the issue of books.

THE BINDING OF BOOKS.

There has been no increase in the number of employees in the bindery during the year.

The work done is as follows :

	Volumes.
Books bound	13,035
Pamphlets bound	3,085
Books repaired	5,031
Total	21,151
Library publications, etc., folded, stitched, and trimmed	79,800
Maps, etc., mounted on cloth	913
Photographs and engravings mounted	2,233
Miscellaneous work	3,012 pieces
Other miscellaneous work	792 hours

In addition to the above, in various Boston binderies 6,030 volumes have been rebound, and also 14,676 volumes of popular books for the Fiction stack at the Central Library and for the branches. Many thousand volumes have been repaired by attendants at the Library.

THE PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

The equipment of the Printing Department is as follows : two linotypes, three presses and other machinery. There

are five persons in the department, the chief and four assistants. The work to be done is the printing of the following:

(1) The card catalogue. The number of cards printed was:

	1900-1	1901-2
Card Catalogue, Central Library:		
Titles	25,156	31,305
Finished cards (not counting extras)	167,430	232,321
Card Catalogues, Branches:		
Titles	616	768
Cards (approximately)	30,800	39,400

(2) The bulletins, annual lists, and many special lists and documents, as already mentioned in the report of the Editor of the Library Publications.

(3) The circulars, forms and other miscellaneous printing of the Library. The output for the year, as given in the report of Mr. Francis W. Lee, chief of the department, has been as follows:

	1900-1	1901-2
Requisitions on hand, February 1	10	13
Received during the year	316	220
On hand, January 31	13	2
Filled during the year	313	231
Call slips	940,000	964,800
Stationery and blank forms	959,824	646,453
Signs	741	774
Blank books	37	23

As heretofore, the Printing Department is called upon to do more work than is possible with the present equipment, and accumulations for the Catalogue Department and other departments must continue to pile up until the third, perfected linotype, for which the Library has long waited, is secured, or some other method of relief found.

The department has suffered more than usual from sickness and accidents. Through the resignation of Miss C. P. Greeley the Library lost the services of a compositor of singular ability and efficiency.

REGISTRATION.

The cards of borrowers now number 72,902, as against 61,340 on January 31, 1901, an increase of 11,562. The adoption of two new measures accounts for much of this gain; first, the lowering of the age at which children are allowed to have cards entitling them to the home use of

books, from 12 to 10 years ; second, the visiting of the public schools, where applications for cards have been taken in great numbers.

Minute statistics, prepared by the head of this department, are given in Appendix VI. Six new schools have been given bonds of indemnity against loss or damage to books lent to non-resident students. Fifty-two Boston schools and colleges are now allowed to take books from the Library for non-resident pupils.

LIBRARY PUBLICATIONS AND BLANKS.

Of the various publications of the Library, 82,996 copies have been sent out from the Stock Department. Of the many blank forms of the Library, 2,246,468 numbers were issued, including 1,726,000 call slips.

USE OF BOOKS.

In Appendix VII. are found tables giving the home use of books from each department of the Library. The sum is :

Home Use.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.	1901-1902.
Central Library (including Central Library books issued through branches, stations, engine houses and vacation schools) . . .	430,987	431,657	445,826
Branches and stations . . .	820,554	893,071	1,037,687
Total . . .	1,251,541	1,324,728	1,483,513

Only a partial account is kept of the books used within the various libraries. The use in the Central Library building for the past year, as far as recorded, was 379,423 volumes, as against 367,063 in the preceding year. No account is kept of the use of books to be freely taken from the shelves in Bates Hall or in other parts of the Library, or of the use of magazines, newspapers and photographs.

INTER-LIBRARY LOANS.

During the year 333 volumes have been lent to libraries in Massachusetts, and 128 outside of the State, in all 461 volumes, as against 394 the preceding year. Seven volumes were borrowed by the Library.

THE ISSUE DEPARTMENT, CENTRAL LIBRARY.

The use of books from the Central Library only has been as follows :

Issue for home use	324,547	
Issue, Central Library, through Branch division	121,279	
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Total of Home use		445,826
Recorded Hall use		379,423
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Total Home and Hall use at Central Library .		825,249

as against 798,720 the preceding year.

Of the books issued for home use, numbering 445,826, only forty-four have not been returned to the Library; of the 379,423 volumes recorded as issued for use within the building, only twenty-seven are missing; text books make up one half of these. This record does not include books missing from the open shelves.

Miss Margaret D. McGuffey, the head of the department, was granted a leave of absence for six months. The charge of the Issue Department was assigned to Miss Mary C. Sheridan, who filled the position satisfactorily, and has since been appointed the First Assistant.

BATES HALL.

The number of books consulted in Bates Hall has increased by 12,360 volumes over the preceding year. This increase is doubtless due in part to the improvement that has been made in the heating of this portion of the Library. For this change satisfaction has been expressed by readers as well as by the officers of the Library. Discomfort, and even sickness, had resulted from the former state of things.

Larger and more convenient desks have been placed in the catalogue section of the room, and two clocks in carved cases, one at each end of the hall.

The shelves of Bates Hall contain about 7,500 volumes of works of reference, accessible to readers. Whenever a book likely to be useful either for reference or for general reading is added to the Library, one copy is now usually added to the Bates Hall reference collection. The latest publications, exclusive of fiction, are placed on open shelves near the catalogue, and are used by many readers. They invite persons who are disinclined to approach the Library through the great card catalogue, and, it is thought, lessen the discouragement that people feel in not being able to secure the book they want.

It is the policy of the Library to throw open the shelves as far as possible to readers. Unhappily, this freedom is abused

by some, for Mr. Bierstadt, in charge, states that during the past year 106 volumes have disappeared from the reference collection and 101 from the screen, while from the children's room adjoining 275 volumes are missing. The books stolen are generally of small value. Signs have been placed in the Library calling attention to the fact that the mutilation of books or their removal from the Library without permission is a penal offence. One of these book thieves has recently been brought to trial and found guilty. The practice of reserving books for use in the Library from one day to another for the benefit of readers has found favor, and the number of reserved books has increased considerably.

Aid has been given by this department in the recommendation of books and in the looking up of titles before purchase.

On Sundays and the two holidays when the Library is open, 85,116 volumes have been used, both for home and library circulation. The number of volumes used on a single Sunday has approached 3,000. Large crowds of visitors come on Sundays, especially since the new decorations have been put in place.

THE SPECIAL LIBRARIES.

The year has been a busy and successful one in the Special Libraries. Dr. Cogswell of the Astor Library stated in the year 1854 that in his opinion books on the fine arts were the ones most often consulted in that institution. Judging from observation, and from the report of Mr. Otto Fleischner, the chief of this department, no books of higher worth are more used in this Library.

The collections on the Special Libraries' floor have been under the charge of Miss Grace A. Hitchcock and her assistants.

During the year there were added, exclusive of periodicals and maps :

	Volumes.
To the Special Libraries' collection	1,216
The fine arts	2,091
The industrial arts	486

There are in the Special Libraries 93,729 volumes, divided as follows :

Fine arts, Music	22,143	
“ “ Periodicals	8,223	
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Industrial arts	8,477	
“ “ Periodicals	3,270	
	<hr/>	11,747
Cabinet books, other than fine arts		2,354
Special Libraries		54,262
Maps, bound vols.		558
“ sheets		8,008
“ rolled		218

New cabinets and additional shelving have relieved the crowded condition of this department.

CATALOGUES.

The various divisions of the Card Catalogue, including the fine arts, music, architecture, industrial arts, etc., formerly filed under separate alphabets, have been joined under one alphabet, thus facilitating use. A similar change, although less complete, has been made in the catalogues of the special collections in the Ticknor-Barton room.

In order to have the whole subject of architecture entered in the general Fine Arts Card Catalogue, the titles of the printed catalogue on architecture are being pasted on cards.

PHOTOGRAPHS.

About 3,700 cards have been prepared for the combined shelf and accession list of photographs :

Photographs bought last year by the Library (cost \$186.64)	258
Photographs given	814

Pictures added for the use of the branches and stations :

Process pictures	309
Colored photographs	315
Allen's Cathedrals of the World	129
English cathedrals	52

The collection in the Library numbers :

Photographs	14,044
Colored photographs	315
Process pictures	5,747

THE ALLEN A. BROWN LIBRARY OF MUSIC.

There have been added to this collection since February, 1901, 189 volumes ; this makes a total of 8,833 volumes, not including many which are still unbound and uncata-

logued. The printing of the catalogue cards has progressed rapidly; about 16,500 cards have been filed during the year. Headings have been written on all the sets of cards representing music in the music room. The index to the periodicals has been kept up, and indexes have been furnished for volumes of magazine articles, newspaper clippings and programmes.

Numerous modern scores, especially of the French and Russian schools, have been acquired for the collection. Of the older scores added during the year, the following are worthy of particular mention:

Arne, *The musick in the Masque of Comus*.

Auber, *Les diamans de la couronne*.

Bellini, *I Puritani*; *La Sonnambula*.

David, *Lalla Roukh*.

Donizetti, *Dom Sebastian*; *Don Pasquale*; *La Favorita*;
La Fille du Régiment; *Linda di Chamounix*; *Lucrezia Borgia*.

Flotow, *Marta*.

Meyerbeer, *Il crociato in Egitto*; *L'étoile du Nord*.

Pergolesi, *La servante maîtresse*.

Rossini, *Cenerentola*; *Semiramide*.

Sullivan, *The golden legend*.

Verdi, *Un ballo in maschera*.

EXHIBITIONS.

Through the year there have been exhibitions of photographs at the Central Library. The subjects represented were as follows: Rome and Roman galleries, in connection with a course of lectures given by J. Frederick Hopkins, Director of Drawing, to the teachers in the public schools; Early Christian and Byzantine architecture; Saracenic architecture; Romanesque architecture; Cathedrals, English and Continental; Renaissance architecture; Nineteenth century architecture; Portraits of children, in connection with the Exhibition of Fair Children, in Copley Hall; Florence; Paris and the Louvre; Mosaics in old Italian churches; London and the National Gallery; Germany and the German galleries; The Rocky mountains of British Columbia (photographed and lent to the Library by Mary M. Vaux, George Vaux, Jr., and William S. Vaux, Jr., of Philadelphia); Parks and gardens in Boston and vicinity, lent by the Boston and Metropolitan Park Commissions, and books on arboriculture lent by the Arnold Arboretum; Travelling exhibit of the Industrial Art Teachers' Association: examples of drawing

in the public schools, loaned by the Association; Madrid and the Prado; Colored photographs of views in the United States and Europe; Incunabula and manuscripts; Castles, villas, and country seats of Europe; Moorish architecture in Granada, Seville and Cordova; The Parthenon; Colored photographs of American and European views; Reproductions of drawings of the Masters; Examples of early printing and illumination; American mural decorations; Italy; Madonnas; Photographs illustrating the development of religious architecture; The Sella photographs of the Himalayan Mountains, lent by the Appalachian Mountain Club.

Exhibitions, changed monthly, have also been given at the branches and stations.

LECTURES.

Lectures, illustrated by the stereopticon, have been given in the Lecture Room of the Library.

Under the auspices of the Unity Art Club, the following course has been given: Florence and Romola, by Rev. Henry G. Spaulding; Paris and the Louvre, by J. Frederick Hopkins; London, old and new, by C. Howard Walker; The Yellowstone National Park, by Arthur K. Peck; Italy, her people and her art, by Miss Anna Seaton Schmidt; The development of religious architecture, by C. Howard Walker.

Other lectures have been given: Velasquez and Murillo, by Mrs. Abba Goold Woolson; Mosaics in old Italian churches, by Miss Frances Emerson; Roman architecture, by C. Howard Walker (under the auspices of the Pallas Club); The development of the park system of Greater Boston, by Sylvester Baxter.

The Massachusetts Library Club and other organizations have held meetings in the Lecture Room.

The photograph room has been supplied with the necessary apparatus for photographing books, engravings and maps.

VISITS OF CLASSES.

Visits have been made to the Special Libraries by schools and clubs in classes, as follows:

Schools	36 visits, 817 members
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Of these 551 were members of the Evening Drawing School, special class in design.

Clubs 58 visits, 440 members
Private classes 90 visits, 1,080 members

To schools and clubs 226 portfolios of pictures have been sent.

DOCUMENTS AND STATISTICS.

The Department of Documents and Statistics was not established until some time after the removal of the Library to Copley square. In the disposition of the rooms of the new building no provision had been made for such a department. It was forced, therefore, to put up with improvised quarters, in a gallery which had been reserved for the future overflow from another department, a place poorly lighted and accessible only by devious routes. Plans are under consideration for providing a room adequate to the needs of the department.

The collection of books under the charge of Mr. Worthington C. Ford now numbers 8,541 volumes, exclusive of the United States documents (4,422) and the British Parliamentary papers (6,928), which are in rooms near by.

Attention is invited to the details as to this department as found on later pages of this report.

MANUSCRIPTS AND BROADSIDES.

Many interesting manuscripts and broadsides have recently been added to the Library. They are described in the following report of Mr. Worthington C. Ford, in charge of these collections :

From every point of view the most valuable acquisition during the last year was a contemporary copy of the Laws of Plymouth Colony, made about 1671. It is a manuscript of fifty-one folio leaves, in very good state of preservation, and showing some variations from the version used by Mr. Shurtleff in his "Records." It was formerly in the possession of Mr. Ellis Ames, who regarded it as the best piece in his collections.

Second in interest is the original manuscript of the address of John Quincy Adams to his constituents in 1812, a volume of more than seventy pages, every line in the writing of the ex-President, and with them the rough notes or outlines of the paper.

A manuscript sermon by Edward Bass, the first Protestant-Episcopal bishop of Massachusetts, was obtained from a Philadelphia sale. It is a manuscript of thirty-six pages, and in very good preservation. The endorsements show that it was

delivered on two important occasions: at Newbury, on October 25, 1759, on the taking of Quebec; and again on October 7, 1762, "for the taking of the Havannah, w^{ch} happened August 13th, almost two months preceding this day."

A number of old deeds and legal papers from Boston, Lexington, Stoughton and other towns have been obtained, while a dozen manuscript sermons, by Thomas Prince, Cotton Mather, Samuel Phillips and more modern divines, are of personal as well as local interest.

Of local interest, also, are the many mercantile and individual accounts rendered, bills and receipts, of which the Library now possesses a goodly number. Not only do these slips, crudely written and badly spelled, bring before us the daily transactions of past times, but they are rich in unusual names of commodities, long since dropped from our language, in price records, always of high value in economic investigation, and in commercial usage of the day with its credits, book accounts, and manner of settlement, according to the methods of direct barter. The experience of Massachusetts in paper money was exceedingly suggestive, and in these prices current the fluctuations in the value of the bills of credit may be noted, and with some accuracy measured. This is a collection to which special attention has been given, because it is a necessary adjunct to the Statistical Department of the Library, and only awaits the patient investigator who will reduce the many items into some order for throwing light upon the economy of Massachusetts in the eighteenth century.

Among other manuscripts relating to Boston may be noted the inquest on the duel fought on Boston Common in 1728, between Henry Phillips and Benjamin Woodbridge, with fatal results to the latter; Rawson's copy of the Court Records of 1635 on the bounds between Boston and Charles Towne; a subscription paper for paving the Street Called Prince Street, 1732; and two volumes and a number of letters relating to the fire of 1762 are worthy of mention. Belonging to a later period are letters regarding the Primary schools and the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanic Association.

The policy of buying broadsides relating to Boston and Massachusetts has been continued, and with very good results. These rare leaves, printed in small numbers and widely distributed among the towns, were seldom preserved. They were "published" by being read from the pulpits or by being posted in some public place; and having once served their purpose were not as a rule filed among the town records. The Library has now a very fair collection of the

issues made during the Revolution and during the War of 1812. The opportunities of obtaining colonial broadsides are very infrequent, and such as have offered have not been neglected. A number of local poems celebrating some important event has also been obtained, as well as advertising sheets, and shipping papers bearing upon the trade between Boston and the West Indies from 1787 to 1815. Political caricatures—often the best reflection of public opinion—have not been passed over, and the collection of the Library is constantly being increased in these various lines. Among the gifts should be noted a very good lot of New Hampshire broadsides, presented by Mr. Herbert Small. The Whitman collection has also been enriched by a large number of newspaper clippings and magazine articles relating to the poet.

It is not strange to find occasionally an even greater curiosity in a manuscript than was anticipated. The Library purchased a manuscript copy of the first Directory of Montreal, 1819, "An Alphabetical List of Merchants, Traders and House Keepers residing in Montreal," with a descriptive sketch of the town by Thomas Doige. By itself, the manuscript would not possess any value, for it was made in 1890-92; but it contained 157 autographs and documents of the people mentioned, bills, accounts and letters; and thirty-two views and woodcuts. These insertions made the volume unique and interesting. Laid into the pages, but not fastened in, was a letter purporting to be from the poet Robert Burns to James Simpson, dated from Dumfries, December 12, 1794. This is clearly one of the forgeries that were placed upon the market some years since, and is therefore only an eloquent example of the ingenuity of the forger, who has given to the sheet (the only part of genuine antiquity) every touch that could deceive the unwary.

A paper obtained in England contains in two places the signature of John Dryden, assumed to be the poet. The date of the document is 1657-8. In 1659 was issued "Three Poems upon the Death of his late Highness Oliver Lord Protector," one of them being by John Dryden. In 1660 the "Astrea Redux" was printed with John Dryden on the title, and in the same year Howard's Poems contained a commendatory Poem by John Dryden, 1662, "To my Lord Chancellor," was signed in the same manner. In spite of this evidence one hesitates to assert that the signatures are those of John Dryden, the poet, and must leave the question to be decided when access may be had to undoubted examples of his writings.

Gifts have been made to the now very large collection on the abolition movement in the United States by the Garrison family, Miss Weston and the Misses May. It is safe to assert that the Library can show as strong collections, in print and in manuscript, on the anti-slavery movement as any other library in this country. The liberality of such leaders as Wendell Phillips and Theodore Parker, and of others like Col. Thomas Wentworth Higginson and Messrs. Francis J. Garrison and Wendell P. Garrison, have really made this notable collection what it is—already large and still attracting gifts.

The proper arrangement of the manuscripts is progressing, but very slowly because of the difficulty in obtaining fit workmen. The demand for really good work is increasing, and the skilled inlayers are few in number and pressed by the demands made upon them. It involves some risk to send such records to other cities, but it is a risk that must be accepted, as the matter will, otherwise, accumulate too rapidly and impede arrangement. It is only when a manuscript is properly mended, mounted, and where possible bound, that it may be shown to the public; therefore the long period between the purchase of the paper and its final location is an embarrassing feature. The fact that the manuscript room is at last in a condition of permanency and put out of reach of any interruption by building operations is a great relief, and facilitates greatly the handling of these records. Some mounting has been done, some manuscripts have been bound, and much indexing accomplished; but the record is not what could have been accomplished had workmen been obtainable or the manuscript room free from architectural changes.

The number of cards made in cataloguing the Chamberlain collection during the last year was 3,608, making a total of 6,854 cards.

The practice of printing in the Bulletin the more important of the manuscripts, those possessing historical and local interest, has been continued, and has been appreciated by the public. It obviates the handling of the manuscripts, makes known the location and contents of the paper, and excites historical inquiry.

THE CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

According to the report of Mrs. Gertrude P. Sheffield, in charge of the Children's rooms at the Central Library, the main features of the work continue the same, and the last twelve months furnish additional evidence of its importance

and of its needs. The number of books issued to applicants has increased from 60,223 for the year previous, to 64,686 for the past year; the number issued from this department to the branches has increased from 5,644 in 1900 to 10,511 in 1901.

One noticeable feature in connection with the issue to the branches and stations is the large number of unsuccessful applications for books. Personal applications in the Children's room which are not successful cannot satisfactorily be recorded, but a record has been kept of the slips sent in from the branches on which no book could be supplied. Of such slips, 21,998 have been returned during the year. As each slip represents from one to five books, the number of children's books asked for and not obtained may fairly be stated as double that of the number of the slips. In one month of the 2,417 slips, very nearly half of the requests were for the twelve following books: *Little Women and Little Men*, by Miss Alcott; the *Celtic, English and Indian Fairy Tales*, edited by Joseph Jacobs; the *Blue, Green, Pink, Red and Yellow fairy books*, arranged by Andrew Lang; *Mother Goose and Uncle Tom's Cabin*. These are the children's choice. They are without exception books of merit, and universally recognized as such. These applications afford undoubted evidence of the spontaneous demand among the children for thoroughly good books, a demand which should be met and which the Library cannot at present supply.

This subject becomes of special importance when the inferior quality of the great mass of juvenile literature is considered, which literature the Library now, to a great extent, offers to those who actually apply for better things which it is unable to supply. There is here no question of forcing a superior book upon a child who desires to read an inferior one, but rather whether the present book supply does not in effect force an inferior book upon a child whose preference would be for a better one.

This same problem perplexes other departments and indeed confronts the whole Library. If it is true that a large proportion of juvenile literature is not of a convincingly high character, and if it is evident, as it seems to be, that children evince a peculiar fondness for a few exceedingly good books, may it not be better to confine the selection of books for children, and of fiction for adults as well, to those of undoubted merit, secure of continuous popularity, and to buy such books in large quantities, excluding much of an inferior grade? The proposition has been under con-

sideration of recommending the purchase of 500 copies at a time of the Lang Fairy books, which undoubtedly would find constant use.

Reference work with the children has been carried on as far as possible under existing conditions. The room has been in the hands of carpenters and painters for many weeks during the busiest school months, occasioned by the placing of the Elliott decoration. This work is finished and the children have again entered into their especial domain.

It is gratifying to record that there are evidences of more cordial coöperation with the Library on the part of the schools. Classes have come here, accompanied by their teachers, to learn the method of obtaining books. Mr. Dimick of the Wells School and Mr. Norris of the Charlestown High School have shown an especial interest in this matter.

Exhibits of pictures have been continued during the year. At the children's rooms in the branch libraries help is given to those who greatly need it. To these libraries the reduction of the age limit and the welcome given have brought crowds of young people and little children. To quote from the annual report of Miss Walkley, in charge of the East Boston Branch, "This influx of children brings home very keenly to every worker at the branch the additional grave responsibility which this involves. Many of these children come from homes swarming with little ones, where they have little or no training and practically no notion of taking care of themselves or anything else. In some happy cases the teachers are interested enough to advise them about their books and to daily urge them to cleanliness and carefulness. Otherwise, they are turned loose at the branches, and although the will to help them is not lacking, the mere routine of the issue and registration desks keeps every available worker occupied during the busy hours and crowds out too largely the personal work with the children which might be a help to them and eventually to the Library itself."

Leave of absence for seven months was given by the Trustees to Mrs. Sheffield. During her absence, from March 1 to October 1, Miss Alice M. Jordan had charge of the room. Her supervision of the work was satisfactory, and she was heartily sustained by the assistants in the department. The card catalogue, upon which for more than three years all the time which could be spared from regular duties had been spent, has been finished and placed where it is accessible to the public.

THE PATENT ROOM.

According to the report of Mr. Frank C. Blaisdell, in charge of the Newspaper and Patent Departments, the Patent Room contains 8,914 volumes. Of these the British patents number 5,421 volumes, the American 1,179, the German 947, and the French 536. During the year 78,630 volumes have been consulted by visitors. These figures do not represent the entire use of the room, for many persons neglect to register either their names or the number of books consulted.

The numerical list of German patents is nearing completion. When finished it will include these patents from 1877 to date.

In September, 1897, the sum of one thousand dollars was sent to the Commissioner of Patents at Washington, to pay for specifications and drawings of American patents issued prior to July, 1869, which were lacking at the Library. About sixty thousand, or nearly two-thirds of the numbers needed, have already been received, of which a numerical catalogue has been made.

Many books on patents have been transferred from the stacks to the Patent Room, to find much use. An index of patent indexes has been prepared, and may be consulted.

PERIODICALS.

Ninety-one new periodicals have been added to the Periodical Room during the year; thirty-one have ceased publication.

A new periodical appears almost daily; to resist subscribing to them requires heroic resolve and good judgment. Only those are added which are of especial merit, such as the American Journal of Anatomy, Bibliographia, Española, and House and Garden, or such as are on subjects new to the Library, such as the Automobile Magazine.

A new check book of periodicals has been prepared. The serial publications currently received at the Library number 3,291.

NEWSPAPERS.

Three hundred and seventy-eight newspapers (including duplicates) are to be found in the Newspaper Reading Room; of these, 211 are American and 58 English. There are representative newspapers of sixteen other nationalities, which find constant readers.

The attendance in this room is counted at stated intervals; at these times during the past year it has not fallen below one hundred persons at a given time, and has been as high as 178. The hour for the largest attendance has been five P.M.

Many of the volumes of newspapers have been bound during the year, and the collection is in much better condition than hitherto. A special card catalogue is in preparation.

LECTURES.

The second course of lectures under the auspices of the Trustees was given in March and April, 1901, in the Lecture Room of the Library, on Methods of municipal administration. The speakers and subjects were as follows: Prof. A. Lawrence Lowell, The Position of Permanent Officials in English Municipal Government; George L. Fox, The London County Council and its work; Prof. E. Emerton, Municipal Experiments in Florence; Prof. Kuno Francke, Public Life in Mediæval German Cities; Prof. F. G. Peabody, Modern City Government under the German Plan; X. Henry Good-nough, The Water Supply of Cities; Prof. W. T. Sedgwick, Sanitary Aspects of the Construction and Care of City Streets; George G. Crocker, Transportation in Cities.

A third course, on the *Æsthetic* development of cities, will begin March 10, 1902.

THE BRANCH LIBRARIES AND STATIONS.

In the light of the development of the branch system of the Boston Public Library, the following words, taken from the annual report for the year 1859, seem prophetic:

"It may be, that in progress of time, this Institution will become the parent of a circle of district libraries scattered about the city, each with separate resources, and exchanging occasionally their books. We cannot perhaps yet fully foresee the range of benefits which this first central experiment may draw after it for the community. It may perhaps, by means of branch libraries, or otherwise, at some time, be practicable to increase the popularity and usefulness of the Institution, in the direction indicated to an extent now impossible."

The statement of the Supervisor of Branches and Stations, which is given on later pages of this volume, outlines the continued activity of this department.

Of special interest is the advance made in the coöperation between the Library and the public schools, many of which

have for the first time availed themselves of the help offered. The Superintendent of Schools and the committee appointed have shown great interest in furthering this work. Forty-four schools (seven high and thirty-seven grammar schools) are now supplied with deposits of books, as against twenty-one in 1900 and eleven in 1899. Applications for readers' cards of the Library have been taken in practically all the high and grammar schools of the city. Help is being given to classes which come to the Central Library and branches, in the use of books and catalogues.

In the view of the Supervisor of Branches, the work of the Library with the schools has these aims: 1. To serve the schools as city institutions. 2. With the assistance of the teachers, to cultivate in the pupils the habit of reading at the time in their lives when they are best capable of acquiring it. 3. To make the school children so familiar with the Public Library that they will be likely to use it on leaving school, when the Library may be their only educational opportunity.

The number of books given out for home use from the branches, stations and other agencies, was 1,158,966 volumes, as against 1,006,214 in the year 1900.

THE BRANCH LIBRARIES.

The time of closing the branches (except at Jamaica Plain and West Roxbury) has been changed from eight to nine P.M. The branches at Brighton, Dorchester and Roxbury have been added to those which are open on Sundays.

The reclassification on a common scheme of the branches as well as the stations is finished. There is a card catalogue at every branch and station and a complete union catalogue and shelf list, all with the same shelf-numbers. Printed lists are issued yearly.

In the past two years five branch buildings have been put in good repair.

All the branches have increased in use, the gain being 72,677 volumes, or 10.7 per cent. Pictures are sent once a month for exhibition at the branches and stations.

THE STATIONS.

The home use of books from the stations of the Library was 422,165 volumes, a gain of twenty-four per cent. on the preceding year. The usefulness of the reading-rooms and stations has been increased by reason of the addition of a generous supply of reference books.

A new reading-room has been established at Orient Heights, East Boston. In seven months 7,316 volumes had been borrowed. The new reading-room at Roslindale gave out 44,870 volumes, a number larger than that of any other reading-room or even of the smaller branches. At the new station at Andrew square, Dorchester street, 15,264 volumes were taken for home use.

EXAMINATIONS.

There have been three examinations held for the graded service of the Library, namely: February 14, Grade E (45 applicants); June 15, Grade B (31 applicants); October 2, Grade E (37 applicants).

INDEX TO THE ANNUAL REPORTS. CHRONOLOGY OF THE LIBRARY.

This being the fiftieth report of the Library it is a fit time to publish a Chronology of its history and an Index to the Annual Reports. These are found in pages which follow.

JAMES L. WHITNEY,
Librarian.

April 23, 1902.

ERRATUM FOR PAGE 37.

It is planned to issue the Index mentioned as a separate publication, and not as a part of this report.

SUPPLEMENTS TO THE REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

(A.)

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DOCUMENTS AND STATISTICS.

To the Librarian :

According to the figures furnished by the Shelf Department, the growth of the Statistical Department from its inception has been :

YEAR.	Accessions.	Transfer from Stacks.	Total.
1898-1899.....	343	.....	343
1899-1900.....	2,089	*1,000	3,382
1900-1901.....	2,253	414	6,049
1901-1902.....	1,937	555	8,541

* Estimated.

These figures do not include the two great series of United States Documents (4,422) and British Parliamentary Papers (6,928), both of which are in the charge of this department.

Of the accessions to the collection, 1,100 were classed as political economy, 453 as social sciences, 104 as jurisprudence, and 100 as medical science (really vital statistics and health reports). This leaves only 180 to be distributed among the other nineteen classes recognized in the system of the general library. Of the transfers, the larger part has been from American history (tariff and banking pamphlets), to the number of 110; political economy, 208; French history, 74 (chiefly statistical), and transactions, 76; these four classes accounting for 468 out of the total transfer of 555, or 84 per cent. of the total increase by transfer.

These figures for accessions are misleading, in that they do not begin to convey a correct measure of what was

received and cared for in the Statistical Department. They merely record what is retained permanently on its shelves, and do not take notice of United States Government publications, periodical issues or issues in parts which are afterwards made into volumes. It is difficult to make any exact comparison in receipts and returns because of the time intervening between the first receipt of the book by the Statistical Department and its final return for location on the shelves.

This factor of *time* has become of increasing importance, and it must be admitted threatens to become a serious obstacle in the activity of the department. There are always at least a thousand pieces on the tables of this crowded gallery which have been received, acknowledged, the continuation entry made, a temporary slip prepared, and, where known, a location number given. All the stages preliminary to cataloguing have been performed, and the matter is ready for the catalogue entries. Here occurs the delay. Weeks, months, and in some cases a full year, may pass before these volumes reach the catalogue room; they must then be catalogued, labelled, bound (if necessary), and finally returned to this department. When possible, calls for current matter are answered by searching this mass of volumes "in process," and the risk of permitting such volumes to circulate before the property label has been inserted is incurred. Further, the fact that the volumes are not on the shelves gives the impression that they are not in the Library, which is not true. They are merely not "available," a sufficient condemnation in itself. Such annoying time-consuming expedients are neither proper nor systematic, and through them the department suffers in many ways.

The slow progress of transfers from the stacks to this department is enforced by this congested condition of affairs, and will continue while current accessions are sufficient to monopolize the working force of the Catalogue and Shelf Departments. This is to be regretted, as it indefinitely postpones the performance of what was an essential idea in establishing this department—to collect in one place, and classify by subject, the works included in that large class described generally as "sociological." As each transfer involves the renumbering of the cards for the transferred volume, it would be unreasonable to impose such a task unnecessarily or at inconvenient times on the Catalogue Department. Yet it should be done, and eventually must be done; and as long as it is deferred the collections in this department must remain in an incomplete and to that extent unsatisfactory state.

It has been gratifying to note a steady increase in the serious use of the collections of this department. It is impossible to escape questions which are entirely outside of its proper functions, and the consequent disappointment when the needed replies are not obtained. "Some statistics of economics" is a sufficiently general demand to puzzle even the most expert; and "statistics of foreigners in the United States since 1620 by counties and cities" is a demand which would be difficult to meet, especially as the question was asked in the afternoon of the day on which the essay upon the subject was to be read. I have been asked to produce the original of a patent of nobility granted by Edward II., and to direct the seeker after something besides the truth, to the original papers filed by some person in the United States in 1817 to establish a claim to a vast English estate! No very long experience in this gallery is needed to develop the fact that some attention ought to be paid to teaching the art of framing intelligent or practicable questions. It is no small task to cross-examine the questioner to determine what is wanted, and it is no grateful labor to endeavor to prove that the information is not to be had, because it is matter beyond the proper province of statistical methods or available information.

The other side of this experience is a grateful relief, for the earnest worker applies in such a way that the limitations of his problem may be developed through his own investigations, the department pointing out the possible sources of information and supplying the necessary books. It is on this line that the usefulness of the department is to be developed, and it is in this direction that its use is growing. There is no legitimate means of advertising this phase of library work, except by giving a reasonable assurance that the raw material of investigation is within call. The growing tendency of other institutions to use what is in this department is a tribute to its richness and convenience, and an indication of its future possibilities. Yet I would insist upon one point. The department has been obliged to take a backward step for want of space needed for its collections.

The whole idea of this department was based upon open shelves, the nature of the collections in its keeping lending itself to that arrangement. All works upon a certain subject were to be brought into one view, where it would be easy to consult them — labor, insurance, navigation, charity and commerce. It is not possible to analyze these reports for the general catalogue; it must be the investigator who will delve out of their pages the facts he needs; and he will often need whole series to enable him to obtain comparative facts, the

best of all sociological material. Every book removed from the gallery into the stacks reduces the general usefulness of the collections, because it withdraws the book from the open shelves. It would not be practicable to admit the general public to the stacks; that privilege can be extended to a few under the best of conditions. It is therefore to be regretted that such withdrawals have been imposed upon us by the necessities of space.

It is a pleasure once more to acknowledge the many courtesies extended to the department by state and city officials, both at home and abroad. No request has been refused without a good reason being given for the refusal, and in many instances more was sent than was covered by the request. The list of gifts recorded in the usual appendix to the report of the Library is a long one, and will be the best witness of this generous treatment. The receipts of current parliamentary papers of importance have been continued and have been much appreciated. All of the issues relating to the contest in South Africa have come promptly, and such important reports as those on Municipal Trading, Shipping Bounties, War Office Contracts and Companies Bills. The German service of the same character has been larger than in previous years, and has been timely in giving the most recent pamphlets on such questions as the canals of Germany, the new tariff, and the commercial and industrial situation of the empire. From France almost nothing but what was immediately ordered has been sent, and it has not been possible to establish an advance service similar to that for Germany and Great Britain; but it is expected that the beginnings may yet be made. This weakness has in part been made good by the courteous efforts of the officials of the French government. Special attention has been given to commercial and industrial questions, as the largest number of calls applies to that side of economic activity. Reports of local chambers of commerce and boards of trade and official inquiries into the conditions of commerce and industry have been obtained in large numbers, and the section of commerce is now one of the largest in this department.

I expressed the hope in my report of last year that a general system for giving information of the issues of state administrative departments might be devised. Since that was written the Library of Congress has begun to send out slips of its accessions, and naturally these issues, state and local, will thus be recorded. The introduction of this service, on a scale commensurate with the subject and prompt record, is a boon to all libraries, and deserves notice for its high utility.

It only remains for the States to combine in such a way as to have a central bureau and machinery similar to that of the Bureau of International Exchanges for distributing their issues, exchanging with one another and supplying the more important libraries. It is only by such a plan of coöperation that satisfactory results can be obtained. The present want of system is costly, most wasteful, and inefficient to a degree. It would require but little attention to introduce such a plan, or in the meantime to extend the present distribution, so as to include libraries containing a special department of documents, or having collections above a certain number, say 150,000 volumes.

Coöperation, however, has its limits. This Library was approached by a sister institution with a proposition that it should not purchase works on International Law, as a special fund was in the possession of this second library for purchasing works on that subject. A trial was made, but has proved awkward and inconvenient. Not only was the purchasing library a private institution, and therefore not open to the public; but the growing importance of the relations of the United States with foreign powers has created a marked increase in general interest on international problems, legal, commercial and diplomatic. I therefore recommended a discontinuance of this plan of coöperation, believing that it was working contrary to the best interests of this Library.

In the first year of my holding this position I prepared a card catalogue of the issues of United States government documents, from 1789 to 1813, with an intention of bringing it down to 1817 (the Fifteenth Congress), at which point the Check List issued by the Superintendent of Public Documents took up the story. Learning that the Superintendent was preparing a new edition of the Check List, and intended to carry it back to 1789, I stopped work on my list, and later offered what had been done to the Superintendent. The offer was accepted, and the cards were sent to him. As his agents are covering the collections in all the larger libraries of the country, it was evident that his list would be far more useful than any that could be prepared in this Library.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) WORTHINGTON C. FORD.

(B.)

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF BRANCHES AND STATIONS.

To the Librarian:

THE BRANCH SYSTEM.

The addition of thirty agencies to the Branch system of the Library implies a general and very considerable increase of the activities of the Branch Department, but this increase has not led to the employment of even one more regular assistant in any division of the department. There has been a slight additional expenditure for extra service in the case of two or three branches.

The total circulation of the branches, stations, and other agencies is 1,158,966 volumes as against 1,006,214 volumes in the year 1900. The increase is fifteen per cent., and the circulation of the department constitutes seventy-eight per cent. of the total circulation of the Library.

SCHOOLS.

The result of the meeting of the Committee on Coöperation, the appointment of which was mentioned in the last report of this department, was a circular of instruction issued by the Superintendent of Public Schools, in which he stated the plans of the Library and requested masters and teachers to aid. The statement proved very helpful. Progress in the work which was outlined in the circular may be summed up as follows:

Forty-four schools — seven high and thirty-seven grammar schools — are now supplied with deposits of books, as against twenty-one in 1900, and eleven in 1899. For certain limited uses these schools are stations of the Library. In some of them only one grade is supplied, in others several grades. The usual number of books at a grammar school is from fifty to one hundred; at a high school from one hundred to two hundred. It would be desirable to have fifty books in each room of a grammar school if the resources of the Library warranted it. Methods have been simplified so that the burden on the teacher is very light.

Applications for cards have been taken in practically all the grammar and high schools of the city. Approximately, 8,000 children have received cards for the first time.

Four thousand seven hundred and fifty-two books on various subjects relating to school work have been reserved for limited periods at the branches and stations on the request of teachers. Several hundred books have been bought expressly for the use of the schools. Copies of the most desirable books have been multiplied at the branches in order that each school of a district might have one copy.

Portfolios of pictures have been sent as usual to the schools.

Sets of the finding lists of the Library are now in all the schools.

The vacation schools were supplied with books during the summer.

At a recent meeting with the Committee on Coöperation it was arranged that classes should come during school hours to the Central Library and the branches for systematic instruction in the use of catalogues and books. The Superintendent of Public Schools has brought this plan, together with other offers of the Library, to the attention of masters in a recent circular. A beginning has been made, and the result depends on the masters and teachers.

The enthusiasm and help of a large number of the teachers with whom we have to deal deserve sincere thanks. Nothing could be done without these teachers.

BRANCHES.

The various new duties at the branches, together with the greater use of books, have made large demands upon the custodians and their assistants, but the work has been faithfully done, and the record in the annual reports of these officers is a good one.

EXTENSION OF HOURS.

For years most of the branches closed at 8 P.M. except on Saturday. In the interests of the public the hour of closing was changed to 9 P.M. on December 30, except at Jamaica Plain and West Roxbury, and at the West End Branch, where the hour has always been 10 P.M., like that of the Central Library. The change was not a simple matter, and has involved a rearrangement of the service. The number of required hours has been reduced, and on certain days in the

week employees serve from 1 to 9 P.M. instead of from 9 A.M to 6 P.M.

The experience of one month shows that a good number of people use the branches between 8 and 9 P.M. It shows also, what was foreseen, that the reduction of hours and replacing morning by afternoon service make it harder to accomplish the routine work. But it is probable that this difficulty will adjust itself in time.

It has been the custom to close the branches, except West End and certain reading-rooms, at 6 P.M. from June 1 to September 15; but this year they were kept open as usual until July 1.

The experiment of Sunday opening had proved so successful at certain branches that it was extended to the Brighton, Dorchester and Roxbury branches with satisfactory results.

BRANCH CLASSIFICATION AND FINDING LISTS.

With the practical completion of the reclassification at Charlestown, and of the card catalogues at the other branches, the work of reclassification ends, after having extended over several years. All the branch collections now have the same system of classification and the same call numbers. There is a card catalogue at every branch, and a complete union catalogue and union shelf list at the Central Library. There is also an incomplete printed finding list. The fourth number of this list, containing accessions for more than four years, was issued last September. Since the collections of the branches have been tending towards uniformity for several years, there are 6,000 or more important titles common to all, and it will soon be possible to publish these entire. The union catalogue and shelf list have been examined, therefore, with a view to filling gaps in the collections and preparing titles for the next list.

In the early part of the year the union catalogue received a thorough revision, old and new records being compared and verification made in case of disagreements.

INSTRUCTION OF EMPLOYEES.

A system of instruction of the branch employees has been begun on which a fuller report will be made another year. The instruction is by means of written questions and answers. It is entirely practical, and designed solely to make the employees of the branches more efficient in their special duties.

BRANCH WORK FOR SCHOOLS.

Much more of the work for schools is done through the branches than a year ago. The number of schools which they supply with deposits is twenty-six, as against ten in January, 1901. The purpose has been to make each branch a centre for a certain group of schools. The systematic taking of applications for cards in the schools was a great labor. The work will be repeated every year, but it can never be so difficult again. It has already proved well worth while. It has widened the constituency of the branches, and those school children who are not drawing books now are more likely to do so later on than if they had never been invited. As one of the custodians says in her report: "This little introduction seems to banish the timidity that many of the children and not a few of the adults feel about coming. The invitation of the library and the knowledge that there will be a familiar face there give them courage." And no better way could have been found of advertising, among parents as well as pupils, the advantages which the branches have to offer.

BRANCHES AS DISTRIBUTING CENTRES.

By the constantly extending use of the branches as centres for the distribution of books, the Library has made the most of its resources. There are now thirty-seven stations, schools and engine houses which are supplied directly by the branches, and 5,426 books were sent out on deposit by them during the past year. There are also five daily deliveries of books on cards from branches to stations.

BOOKS.

There were bought for the branches during the year 6,414 volumes of new books, as against 7,259 in 1900 and 4,447 in 1899. There were 2,272 replacements, as against 1,779 the year before. The supply of books has thus been liberal. It includes some reference books bought to complete the revision of the collections which was begun last year, and a great many additional copies of children's classics for the use of schools. Reference books were bought in some cases to establish the separate children's reference library which has been found so desirable at the branches. There were 2,187 volumes of current fiction bought, as against 1,940 in 1900.

The loss from open shelves is less than last year, but it is still large. It was chiefly at Charlestown and East Boston,

and almost entirely from the children's shelves. It was found necessary to take extreme measures to check this plundering. Leaving out these two branches, the average loss for a branch is thirty-six volumes, as against an average of forty-four volumes for the same eight branches last year. West Roxbury has lost one volume only; Brighton, Dorchester, Roxbury and West End have lost together 107 less than in 1900.

The problem is really one of children's shelves, and these have been open at the branches for more than five years. My conclusion is that children over ten years of age should generally be admitted to the shelves of juvenile books, so that they may handle the books freely as they do now, but that certain precautions should be taken in the shape of railings, registration as they enter the room or enclosure, and special observation by an attendant, or a policeman where one is found necessary.

REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

The East Boston Branch, which was in the worst condition of all the branches, has been put in thorough repair in coöperation with the Department of Public Buildings, and almost entirely refurnished by the Library. The Jamaica Plain Branch was also thoroughly renovated by the Department of Public Buildings. Five branches have been put in good condition within two years.

CIRCULATION.

The branches show a circulation of 745,730 volumes, a gain of 72,677 volumes, or $10\frac{7}{10}$ per cent. over the circulation for the year before. Every branch has gained, and most of them largely. The average percentage of fiction issued, including all juveniles, was 74 per cent., as against 75 per cent. in 1900. But the issue from four branches, Brighton, South End, West End, and West Roxbury has been properly classified this year, and is as follows: Percentage of juvenile fiction, $23\frac{3}{10}$ per cent.; of adult fiction, $42\frac{2}{10}$ per cent.; total percentage of fiction, 66 per cent.; percentage of juvenile non-fiction, $12\frac{3}{10}$ per cent.; total percentage of juveniles, $36\frac{1}{10}$ per cent.

EXPENDITURES.

Notwithstanding the increased work they have done the branches have cost little more than last year, \$55,435.90 as against \$55,281.45 in 1900.

SERVICE.

Miss Martha N. Hobart, custodian of the Brighton Branch, resigned September 1. Miss Hobart's administration of the branch had been in the highest degree effective. Miss Belle S. Hall was appointed to the custodianship from the Special Libraries Department.

On December 5, the janitor of the Dorchester Branch, Edward Davenport, died. Mr. Davenport had been a faithful employee of the Library since 1875.

STATIONS.

The total circulation of the stations, schools, institutions and engine houses is 422,165 volumes. This shows a gain of 25 per cent. over the circulation of last year, which was 338,246. All the stations but two have increased in circulation; and the gain in some instances, as at Stations U (Ward Nine) and W (Industrial School), has been very marked.

The stations have cost \$20,413.28 as against \$17,147.45 in 1900. The expenses of the Reading-rooms Y and Z, and of Station B, which was enlarged to a reading-room at the end of last year, swell this year's total.

SERVICE STATIONS.

One new station has been added this year, making a total of twenty-one as against twenty a year ago. The new station is Z, the Orient Heights reading-room at East Boston. Its establishment was made possible by the addition of \$2,000 for this purpose to the yearly appropriation. The remoteness of the district, which is more than two miles north of the East Boston Branch, gave it a special claim, though the population was not large. The reading-room was opened on June 25, with about 1,000 volumes on the shelves, of which over 700 had been bought for a permanent collection. The circulation for seven months has been 7,316 volumes, and the attendance has often been more than could be provided for.

The equipment of Stations N (Mt. Pleasant) and S (Roxbury Crossing) has become sufficient to entitle them to be called reading-rooms, so that there are now ten reading-rooms, as against seven a year ago.

There has been a general advance in usefulness on the part of the reading-rooms during the past year. There are one or more schools naturally in the jurisdiction of every reading-

room, but these schools have not always had close relations with the station. The situation has improved this year, and in the case of nearly every reading-room the Library is sending books to the neighboring school, and there is a friendly understanding between the teachers and the custodian of the reading-room, so that the children are constantly sent for books, and to study their lessons there. The custodians have also taken applications for cards in the schools belonging to them. The reading-room cannot be a reservoir of books, and the volumes to send to its school must come from the Central Library or the nearest branch. But the reading-room is the agency by which the books come, and in most other respects it directly meets the wants of the children of its one or more schools. Thus the reading-rooms are becoming the subordinate centres of their districts, and much credit for the result is due to the custodians, who have worked faithfully with this end in view.

Besides an intelligent custodian, two things are necessary to a properly equipped reading-room, space and books. In the matter of space, no improvement has been possible this year. Stations B (Roslindale) and S (Roxbury Crossing) are good examples of what a reading-room should be in point of space, and Station P (Broadway Extension) is the best example possible of the crowded class.

But with regard to the second necessity, a good supply of books, much progress has been made. At the beginning of the year Stations N, S, U, and W had almost no reference books, and the older reading-rooms had received no additions to their collections since 1896. From thirty to one hundred volumes of primary importance for reference have been added to each service station. Books for general reading have also been bought, and the number of additions for the year for the twelve service stations is 2,348 volumes. The permanent collections of these stations now number 7,372 volumes. The deposits from the Central Library, upon which most of the stations depend for miscellaneous reading, have been systematically increased everywhere. The minimum number of volumes in a deposit is now 300 and the maximum 500.

During the year the reclassification of the permanent collections of the stations has been finished. A union catalogue of these books has been made at the Central Library, which for various reasons has been kept separate from the branch catalogue. In every case also the books have been entered on the records of the stations, so that all these volumes are now for the first time properly classified, shelf-listed and accessioned. Though card catalogues are not a necessity in

the case of small collections of books on open shelves, yet they now exist or are in process of making at most reading-rooms.

The circulation of Station B (Roslindale) for its first year of existence as a reading-room is 44,870 volumes. This is much larger than that of any other reading-room, and more than that of the Brighton and West Roxbury Branches, though the station has less than 2,500 volumes. More books would bring a larger use.

The circulation of Station Y at Andrew square, Dorchester street, at the end of its first year, is 15,264 volumes, which shows a satisfactory use. It proves to be, however, chiefly a children's station.

Early in the year Station D at Mattapan received thorough repairs, including a new floor. Electric lights were installed in the place of lamps.

Because of the great increase in the use of Station W the directors of the Industrial School made provision for its remaining open during the evening all summer, for the first time.

SHOP STATIONS.

A few reference books have been placed at all the shop stations.

Card catalogues or shelf lists of books on deposit have now been completed for every shop station. There has been some reorganization of methods at these stations with the purpose of securing greater accuracy.

OTHER AGENCIES.

Books were sent, last summer, either from the Central Library or the branches to twenty-one vacation schools or play grounds. Four engines houses and two institutions, The Men's Free Reading Room (formerly supplied), and the Trinity Day Nursery have been added this year. The books at the Day Nursery are for a club of mothers.

CENTRAL LIBRARY ACTIVITIES.

DEPOSIT WORK.

The number of volumes sent on deposit from the Central Library to the various agencies is 28,228, as against 25,500 in 1900, a gain of eleven per cent. The proportion of fiction in the deposits sent out is forty-seven per cent., as against forty-five per cent. in 1900. The net gain of the deposit

collection is 2,778 volumes; in 1900, 3,184 volumes; the total number of volumes in the deposit collection is 16,445.

The increase in the deposit collection has been large, but not larger than is necessary for the supply of the growing system. Of the 116 outlying agencies, eighty-one are regularly supplied from the collection, and nearly all at certain times. In the annual examination of the deposit shelves every book was accounted for except one.

Attention is called to the fact that there is no more room for the collection in the space assigned to the Branch Department. Unless relief is given, it will not be long before no new books can be added.

THE DAILY ISSUE.

During the year 111,432 volumes have been sent to the branches and stations from the Central Library in the daily issue on cards and slips, as against 104,988 volumes in 1900. The other statistics are as follows: Percentage of unsuccessful cards, 45 per cent., as against 46 per cent. in 1900; percentage of fiction, in books issued, 80 per cent., as against 81 per cent. a year ago; percentage of fiction, in unsuccessful applications, 79 per cent., while in 1900 it was only 76 per cent., and in 1899, 72 per cent.

The above statistics are satisfactory with regard to the number of books issued. A smaller percentage of fiction issued and of unsuccessful applications is also to be noted. But the unremitting effort of the whole Branch Department has been necessary to secure even these slight results. My conclusions remain as before: There is an insistent demand for fiction which the Library does not satisfy. The result is useless labor in handling applications, and disappointment and alienation on the part of the applicants. The remedy seems to be more copies of the most popular books, balanced by a smaller yearly total of titles; or as an alternative, a systematic refusal to add certain books at all. At present, a book which is advertised in the bulletins may exist in one or two copies only, and yet be called for from thirty-one branches and stations hundreds of times in a week with the consequences described above. Certain books other than fiction, such as Greek and Roman histories, might properly have copies multiplied. A growing system of branches and stations, with a daily wagon service widely advertised, would seem to imply logically an increasing supply of copies in the Central reservoir.

DISTRIBUTION OF PERIODICALS.

Periodicals to the number of 19,250, which have already done service in the Library, have been distributed to City institutions.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) LANGDON L. WARD.

DEATHS AND RESIGNATIONS, 1901-1902.

NAME.	Department.	Entered Service.	Discontinued.
Leopold Helmann.....	Janitor	Sept. 12, 1900...	Resigned Feb. 10, 1901.
Mrs. Lillian Parious....	Bindery.....	May 16, 1900....	Resigned Mar. 25, 1901.
Joseph P. Riley.....	South End.....	May 24, 1901....	Resigned June 6, 1901.
Robert Shawno.....	Shelf.....	June 30, 1898...	Resigned July 5, 1901.
Mrs. Lillian F. Seaver...	Catalogue.....	Jan. 25, 1898....	Resigned July 28, 1901.
Carrie K. Burnell.....	Catalogue.....	May 23, 1891....	Died Aug. 19, 1901.
Lucy I. Bertram.....	Issue.....	March 23, 1896..	Resigned Aug. 20, 1901.
Marie Coolidge.....	Ordering	June 19, 1898...	Resigned Aug. 25, 1901.
Martha N. Hobart.....	Brighton	Dec. 1, 1896....	Resigned Sept. 1, 1901.
Benjamin J. Batson, Jr.,	Executive	Sept. 10, 1900...	Resigned Sept. 1, 1901.
David L. Williams.....	Special libraries...	June 8, 1900....	Resigned Oct. 2, 1901.
Arthur C. Thomas.....	Janitor.....	July 25, 1898....	Resigned Oct. 17, 1901.
Benjamin Myers.....	Station P.....	June 3, 1898....	Resigned Oct. 23, 1901.
Carrie P. Greeley.....	Printing.....	Aug. 17, 1896...	Resigned Nov. 8, 1890.
Mrs. Sarah Bowen.....	Bindery	May, 1876.....	Died Nov. 16, 1901.
Mary E. A. Ford.....	Periodical	March 23, 1896..	Resigned Dec. 1, 1901.
Edward Davenport.....	Dorchester	Jan. 7, 1875.....	Died Dec. 5, 1901.
John Shaughnessy.....	Catalogue.....	Nov. 30, 1898...	Resigned Dec. 8, 1901.
Ferris Greenslet.....	Catalogue.....	Oct. 14, 1901....	Resigned Dec. 12, 1901.

NOTE.—William E. Ford, for thirty-two years janitor of the Boylston street building, died May 15, 1901.
Edward Capen, librarian from 1833-1877, died October 20, 1901.

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE
FOR 1901-1902.

To the Trustees of the Boston Public Library :

GENTLEMEN, — The Examining Committee for the year 1901-1902 met on May 17, 1901, and organized by the choice of Samuel Wells as Chairman and Mrs. Mary E. Blake as Secretary.

The following sub-committees were appointed :

Administration.

William L. Parker, James W. Dunphy,
Mrs. William H. Dewart.

Books.

Miss Sarah Orne Jewett, Mrs. John G. Blake,
Mrs. William C. Collar, Rev. Charles F. Dole,
William V. Kellen, Johnson Morton.

Branches and New Modes of Distribution.

William L. Parker, Rev. Francis X. Dolan,
Mrs. Carl Dreyfus, Mrs. Thomas J. Gargan,
Bernard Jenney.

Catalogues, Bulletins and Finding Lists.

John H. Colby, Thomas M. Babson,
Dr. William A. Morrison, Rev. Robert F. Johnson.

Finance.

Samuel Wells, Rev. Carlos C. Carpenter,
William L. Parker, George Putnam.

Printing and Binding.

D. B. Updike, John H. Colby,
Miss Maria E. Wood.

The sub-committees attended to the duties assigned to them and made reports to the general committee.

The Committee on Administration considered the organization and work of the Library and its branches as a whole, finding that time and experience had enabled the Trustees to constantly im-

prove the system so that the committees had nothing to criticise; however, they "recommend an increase in force in several departments, notably in that of the Branch Department; also a liberal appropriation for increasing the deposits of books at many of the stations."

The Committee on Books suggest the "need of extra assistants in the Children's Reading-room during at least two hours of the afternoon after school hours for the following reasons: (1) This room is then apt to be crowded, especially in bad weather, and (2) guidance in the choice of good reading is here, and here only, possible. The parental function may be exercised and effort may constantly be made to have each child read certain of the best books before going on to elective reading and indiscriminate choice. The children now recommend books to each other and the silliest and least profitable stories are read out of their covers for lack of knowledge of even the names of anything better; there is a natural preference for the easiest reading and the slightest intellectual effort. This can only be counteracted by the affectionate care and interest of instructed older people. The extra assistants might be volunteers or might sometimes be drawn from the waiting lists of those who desire library positions. They would advise the children and befriend them as far as possible. "Sometimes a half-hour can be spent with a single child to the best possible purpose," as the most thoughtful of our special workers in this direction has lately said, "but in the present condition of things, the room crowded only at certain hours and the attendants being few, this personal attention is not often possible." The committee also recommend a still greater increase in the supply of standard books for young people (or children's classics). The best collections of fairy tales, which stimulate the imagination, are just now in astonishing demand, though not long ago it was claimed that children cared for them no more. It appears from the records kept of unsuccessful applications (ranging from one hundred in June last to above three thousand in March), that beside the additions already made, fifty extra copies of these "classics" for the Children's Room and fifty for the stacks would not be too large an increase. This committee also recommend further purchases of French and German books of literary value and rank in their own country.

They regard as very important the replenishing and careful keeping up of the supply of Baedeker's and other guide books. They do not see the use of any careful rebinding in this department when new editions are obtainable.

They suggest the reprinting of a very useful Reader's Handbook, which can still be found at the desks for reference, but is now out of print.

The committee are aware of the recent demand for large sums for the multiplication of branch libraries and delivery stations in different parts of the city. At the same time there is cause for regret that so small a proportion of the city's large appropriation has been available for the purchase of books.

The Committee on Branches find that the longer hours on week days and the Sunday opening have done much good, and recommend a still further extension in this respect. They urge greater attention to ventilation and light, the introduction of electricity where possible, and provision for increased room. They recommend a larger appropriation for books, as in many stations the meagre showing does not encourage attendance, also separate rooms for children and the exclusion of those under twelve during evening hours.

They find a need for small hand-carts to be used in the delivery of books to the schools from the several branches.

They express their pleasure at the courtesy shown by the Supervisor of Branches and Stations in permitting their attendance at the meetings of custodians.

The Committee on Catalogues find that the suggestions made last year by the Examining Committee were adopted and that this department is being conducted in an eminently satisfactory manner.

The Committee on Finance do not find it necessary to make any recommendations. They commend the liberality in supporting the Library exhibited by the city government, and the pride of the citizens of Boston in the possession of so great an instrument of education.

The Committee on Printing and Binding report that the Printing Department remains the same as last year, congratulate it on the output of 30,000 cards in advance of what it was at the same date one year ago, expecting to reach an advance of about 50,000 by January.

The committee are gratified to learn that the plan of these cards has been adopted by the Library of Congress and several other large institutions. They refer to the new style of machine for this department and regret the delay in its completion, suggesting meantime leasing a linotype in order to prevent a congestion of work.

The introduction of a new machine will somewhat crowd the printing room, but it is suggested that an iron gallery might be put in this room for the storage of material not constantly in use.

(Signed) SAMUEL WELLS, *Chairman*.
 MARY ELIZABETH BLAKE, *Secretary*.

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1901-1902.

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APPENDIX I.

FINANCE.

BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY,
AUDITING DEPARTMENT, February 1, 1902.

To the Trustees:

GENTLEMEN,— The undersigned herewith presents a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Library Department for the financial year beginning February 1, 1901, and ending January 31, 1902, also a statement concerning the trust and other funds, statements covering special appropriations, and a statement of expenditures on account of the branches for the twelve years ending 1901-1902.

Respectfully,

A. A. NICHOLS,
Auditor.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation, 1901-1902 . . .	\$302,000 00	
Lost books, sales of duplicates, etc., . . .	1,952 29	
Contribution for frame of Elliott painting	900 00	
	<hr/>	\$304,852 29
Income from trust funds:		
Balance from 1900-1901	\$7,559 69	
During the year	11,803 96	
	<hr/>	19,363 65
London accounts:		
Balance in hands of J. S. Morgan & Co., February 1, 1901:		
Trust funds income	\$6,481 05	
City appropriation	7,686 61	
During the year	6,000 00	
Interest	215 79	
	<hr/>	\$20,383 45
Balance in hands of Baring Bros. & Co.	72 75	
	<hr/>	20,456 20
<i>Carried forward</i>		\$344,672 14

<i>Brought forward</i>			\$344,672 14
Gifts:			
From J. W. Dunphy, unexpended			
February 1, 1901	\$12 22		
From Boston Numismatic Society,			
unexpended February 1, 1901	127 63		
From Elizabeth Lewis, unexpended,			
February 1, 1901	119 56		
From Andrew Carnegie:			
Unexpended, February 1, 1901	\$13 86		
During the year	100 00		
		113 86	
From Augustus Hemenway	62 22		
From Godfrey Hyams	108 60		
			544 09
Exchange account:			
Lost books, sales of duplicates, etc.:			
Balance from 1900-			
1901	\$1,853 75		
During the year	236 73		
		\$2,090 48	
Less amount added to the appropriation	1,952 29		
			138 19
Interest on bank deposit			1,795 74
			\$347,150 16

EXPENDITURES.

General Library accounts, including the cost of maintaining branches:

Salaries:

General administration	\$144,749 43
Sunday and evening force	18,510 33
	\$163,259 76

Books:

City appropriation,	\$24,145 45*
City appropriation,	
London account,	4,076 06
	\$28,221 51

Trust funds income, including London account

10,809 66	
	39,031 17

Carried forward . . . \$202,290 93 \$347,150 16

* Includes \$100, Carnegie gift.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$202,290 93	\$347,150 16
Newspapers:			
Todd fund		1,739 01	
Periodicals		6,437 63	
Binding:			
Salaries	\$15,274 16		
Stock	2,376 65		
Equipment	9 75		
Contract work	8,250 27		
“(British patent specifications.)	266 27		
		26,177 10	
Printing:			
Salaries	\$4,991 20		
Stock	2,247 54		
Equipment	256 80		
Contract work	1,074 21		
		8,569 75	
Furniture and fixtures		14,003 11	
Gas		1,835 74	
Electric lighting		2,399 83	
Cleaning		6,237 71	
Small supplies		2,612 94	
Stationery		2,010 77	
Rent of branches and reading-rooms		6,548 34	
Fuel		10,260 75	
Repairs		12,848 45	
Freights and cartage		686 75	
Transportation between Central Library, branches and delivery stations		3,827 32	
Delivery stations, rent and services		4,127 28	
Telephone service		229 58	
Postage and telegrams		1,137 31	
Typewriting		48 58	
Travelling expenses		461 87	
Grounds		23 55	
Premium on surety bond		5 00	
Remittance to J. S. Morgan & Co., London (Trust Funds Income)		6,000 00	
Books: Boston Numismatic Society gift	\$122 52		
Books: J. W. Dunphy gift	12 22		
Books: Godfrey M. Hyams gift	108 60		
Books: Elizabeth Lewis gift	67 19		
Books: Andrew Carnegie gift	13 86		
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$324 89	\$320,519 30	\$347,150 16

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$324 39	\$320,519 30	\$347,150 16
Books : Augustus Hemenway gift	62 22		
		386 61	
Insurance on boilers		135 00	
Draping building, death of President McKinley		329 32	
Decorating ceilings, carpentry, etc., on account of installing paintings :			
Abbey painting	\$4,047 69		
Elliott painting	1,757 00		
Sargent painting	1,054 98		
		6,859 67	
			328,229 90
Balance			<u>\$18,920 26</u>

The balance is made up of the following items, viz. :

Cash in City Treasury :			
Income from Trust funds			\$5,595 63
Cash on deposit in London :			
In hands of J. S. Morgan & Co. :			
Trust funds	\$7,856 21		
General funds	3,404 26		
		\$11,260 47	
In hands of Baring Bros. & Co. :			
General funds		72 75	
			11,333 22
Cash on deposit with New England Trust Co. and on hand :			
Unexpended of donations carried to account of 1902-1903 :			
Boston Numismatic Society		\$5 11	
Elizabeth Lewis		52 37	
			57 48
Exchange account : lost books			138 19
Interest on bank deposits			1,795 74
			<u>\$18,920 26</u>

GENERAL APPROPRIATION.

Comparative Statement for Fiscal Years ending January 31, 1900, 1901 and 1902.

	1899-1900.	1900-1901.	1901-1902.
Salaries:			
General administration.....	\$123,886 00	\$141,201 87	\$144,749 43
Sunday and evening force.....	18,542 37	18,400 37	18,510 33
Binding:			
Salaries.....	13,213 02	14,330 47	15,274 16
Stock.....	1,715 99	2,282 57	2,376 65
Contract work.....	2,762 46	11,333 92	8,250 27
Equipment.....	55 27	118 80	9 75
Books	12,691 00	19,178 03	24,145 45
Periodicals.....	5,819 40	5,597 79	6,437 63
Furniture and fixtures.....	8,980 68	11,337 47	14,003 11
Gas.....	1,464 30	1,568 70	1,835 74
Electric lighting.....	2,182 92	2,338 13	2,399 83
Supplies.....	1,620 44	2,434 00	2,612 94
Cleaning.....	7,121 56	7,333 78	6,237 71
Printing:			
Equipment.....	1,025 62	299 10	256 80
Stock.....	2,000 04	2,237 96	2,247 54
Contract work.....	1,196 57	1,046 78	1,074 21
Salaries.....	4,783 49	5,005 54	4,991 20
Stationery.....	1,865 90	2,434 95	2,010 77
Typewriting.....	228 05	7 80	48 58
Fuel.....	8,175 54	11,899 32	10,280 75
Rents.....	5,630 00	5,215 01	6,548 34
Repairs.....	5,354 68	10,964 01	12,848 45
Freights and cartage.....	802 88	1,153 74	686 75
Transportation between Central Library and branches.....	3,568 23	3,488 63	3,927 32
Delivery stations.....	4,025 24	4,184 51	4,127 28
Travelling expenses.....	443 28	451 45	461 87
Postage and telegrams.....	898 61	1,171 85	1,137 31
Water rates.....	1,914 80	481 60	
Telephone service.....	348 67	256 20	229 58
Miscellaneous expense.....	675 27	338 25	334 32
Advertising.....	2 40	88	
Insurance.....			135 00
Grounds.....	6 75	8 12	23 55
Remittance to J. S. Morgan & Co., London	2,028 57	1,500 00	
Decorating ceilings, carpentry, etc., on ac- count of installing paintings.....			6,859 67
	\$255,000 00	\$390,766 10	\$304,952 29

The cost of maintaining the branches makes part of the general items of the several appropriations:

Cost of branches 1899-1900	\$60,335 33
" " " 1900-1901	72,428 91
" " " 1901-1902	75,851 43

The amount expended for newspapers, books and binding (not included above) paid from trust funds and city money in the hands of London bankers:

For 1899-1900	\$6,604 35
" 1900-1901	7,837 78
" 1901-1902	9,122 98

The amount expended for books, newspapers and photographs (not included above) paid from trust funds in the hands of City treasurer:

For 1899-1900	\$3,270 66
" 1900-1901	10,237 70
" 1901-1902	7,768 02

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Library building, Dartmouth street, balance of appropriation February 1, 1901 . . .	\$76,827 94
Payments on account:	
Mural painting, Edwin A. Abbey . . .	5,500 00
Balance, February 1, 1902 . . .	<u>\$71,327 94</u>

This balance will be required to settle outstanding contracts.

Library building, furnishing, balance of city appropriation February 1, 1902 . . .	<u>\$4,821 81</u>
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Branch library, Broadway Extension, improvements, balance of appropriation February 1, 1901 . . .	\$2,575 69
Payments on account . . .	587 79
Balance transferred to other appropriations,	<u>\$1,987 90</u>

LONDON ACCOUNTS.

	Balances from 1900-1901.	Remittances and Interest 1901-1902.	Total Credits.	Expenditures, 1901-1902.	Balances to 1902-1903.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
J. S. Morgan & Co.	2,909 15 0	1,229 10 2	4,188 11 5	1,875 1 11	2,308 9 6
J. S. Morgan & Co. interest		44 6 3			
Baring Bros. & Co.,	15 0 0	.....	15 0 0	.....	15 0 0
	<u>2,924 15 0</u>	<u>1,273 16 5</u>	<u>4,198 11 5</u>	<u>1,875 1 11</u>	<u>2,323 9 6</u>

STATEMENT OF TRUST FUNDS.

GIVER.	Principal.	Balances from 1900-1901.	Income, 1901-1902.	Total Credits to date.	Expenditures, 1901-1902.	Balances unexpended.	Over- expended.
1. Joshua Bates.....	\$50,000 00	\$679 43	\$2,000 00	\$2,679 43	\$1,984 53	\$694 89	
2. Jonathan Phillips.....	30,000 00	1,908 49	1,800 00	3,508 49	2,975 31	1,333 18	
3. Abbott Lawrence.....	10,000 00	710 23	800 00	1,310 23	534 32	775 91	
4. Charlotte Harris.....	10,000 00	3,988 64	400 00	4,388 64	1,459 28	2,929 36	
5. Henry L. Pierce.....	5,000 00	466 65	300 00	666 65	127 45	539 20	
6. Mary P. Townsend.....	4,000 00	.....	140 00	140 00	* 67 87	72 13	
7. George Ticknor.....	4,000 00	247 74	160 00	407 74	215 04	192 70	
8. John P. Bigelow.....	1,000 00	181 83	40 00	221 83	1 74	220 09	
9. Franklin Club.....	1,000 00	185 02	40 00	225 02	.....	225 02	
10. Samuel A. Green.....	2,000 00	223 97	65 00	308 97	85 65	223 32	†\$19 03
11. South Boston, Citizen of.....	100 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....
12. Arthur Scholfield.....	50,000 00 } 11,800 00 }	1,151 63	2,473 00	3,623 63	2,898 48	725 15	
13. Joseph Scholfield.....	1,000 00	175 92	40 00	215 92	.....	215 92	
14. Thomas B. Harris.....	6,950 00	808 35	537 00	1,345 35	554 01	791 34	
15. Daniel Treadwell.....	500 00	115 11	90 00	135 11	.....	135 11	
16. Edward Lawrence.....	10,000 00	1,142 60	350 00	1,492 60	234 99	1,157 61	
17. J. Ingersoll Bowditch.....							
<i>Carried forward.</i>	\$197,350 00	\$11,985 60	\$2,688 00	\$20,669 60	\$10,538 65	\$10,130 95	\$19 03

* Includes over-expenditure of previous year \$64.97.

† Over-expenditure of previous years less amount of income for 1901.

STATEMENT OF TRUST FUNDS. — Concluded.

GIVER.	Principal.	Balances from 1900-1901.	Income, 1901-1902.	Total Credits to date.	Expenditures, 1901-1902.	Balances unexpended.	Over- expended.
<i>Brought forward.</i>	\$137,350 00	\$11,985 60	\$3,688 00	\$30,669 60	\$10,538 65	\$10,130 95	\$19 05
18. Family of Charles Greely Loring.....	500 00	100 00	20 00	120 00	.....	120 00	
19. Charles Mead.....	2,500 00	400 00	100 00	500 00	.....	500 00	
20. Victorine T. Artz.....	10,000 00	448 11	400 00	848 11	105 13	681 98	
21. Papyrus Club.....	1,000 00	119 43	40 00	159 43	5 33	154 10	
22. Twentieth Regiment Association.....	5,000 00	175 63	200 00	375 63	128 35	246 28	
23. William C. Todd.....	50,000 00	.....	2,000 00	2,000 00	\$1,566 88	133 12	
24. Caleb D. Bradlee.....	1,000 00	105 00	35 00	140 00	.....	140 00	
25. Friends of Henry Sargent Codman (Memo- rial Fund).....	2,500 00	101 53	98 00	199 53	35 17	164 35	
26. Daniel S. Ford.....	6,000 00	89 79	130 00	269 79	.....	269 79	
27. Abram E. Cutter.....	4,000 00	.....	43 98	43 98	.....	42 98	
	\$250,150 00	\$13,525 06	\$11,903 98	\$25,325 04	\$12,741 51	\$12,553 53	\$19 05

*Includes over-expenditure of previous year \$127.37.

GENERAL EXHIBIT OF APPROPRIATIONS, SOURCES OF REVENUE AND OTHER FUNDS.

	Balances. from 1900-1901.	Revenue Received Dur- ing the Year 1901-1902.	Appropriation.	Total Credits.	Expenditures for 1901-1902.	Balances to 1902-1903.
Library Building, Dartmouth street.	\$76,327 94			\$76,327 94	\$5,500 00	\$71,827 94
Library building, furnishing.	4,331 81			4,331 81		4,331 81
General Library		\$2,562 29	\$302,000 00	19,353 65	304,562 29	
Trust funds income.	7,559 69	11,803 96		587 79	* 13,768 02	5,665 63
Branch Library, Broadway Extension, improvements.	587 79			2,090 43	587 79	
Exchange account: lost books, sales of duplicates, etc.	1,553 75	286 78		119 56	† 1,902 29	128 19
Elizabeth Lewis, gift.	119 56			137 63	67 19	52 37
Boston Numismatic Society	137 63			12 23	122 62	6 11
J. W. Dunphy, gift.	12 23			106 60	13 23	
Godfrey M. Hyams, gift.		† 100 00		113 86	106 60	
Augustus Hemenway, gift.	13 86	63 22		63 22	63 22	
J. S. Morgan & Co. (trust funds).	6,481 05	6,155 81		12,636 86	4,780 65	7,856 21
J. S. Morgan & Co. (general funds).	7,693 61	59 98		7,746 59	4,343 33	3,403 26
Baring Bros. & Co.	73 75			73 75		73 75

* This amount includes the sum of \$5,000 transmitted to J. S. Morgan & Co., December, 1901.

† This sum was added to the appropriation and expended for books.

RECEIPTS FROM FINES, SALES OF CATALOGUES, ETC.

	1901-1902.
Fines	
Catalogues	\$4,516 29
Pay telephone station, commission	122 08
Money found	22 53
	13 46
Total amount paid to City Collector	\$5,143 43

LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS.

BIGELOW FUND. — This is a gift from the late JOHN P. BIGELOW of Boston, in August, 1850, when Mayor of the City.

The income from this fund is to be appropriated to the purchase of books for the increase of the Library.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$1,000 00

Payable to the Chairman of the Committee on the Public Library for the time being.

BATES FUND. — This is a gift from the late JOSHUA BATES of London, in March, 1853.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$50,000 00

"The income only of this fund is to be, each and every year, expended in the purchase of such books of permanent value and authority as may be found most needful and most useful." Payable to the Mayor of the City for the time being.

BOWDITCH FUND. — This is the bequest of J. INGERSOLL BOWDITCH of Boston. Received January, 1890.

Invested in one City of Boston Three and one-half per cent.

Bond, for \$10,000 00

The whole income in each and every year to be expended in the purchase of books of permanent value and authority in mathematics and astronomy.

PHILLIPS FUND. — This is a gift from the late JONATHAN PHILLIPS of Boston, in April, 1853.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$10,000 00

The interest on this fund is to be used exclusively for the purchase of books for said Library.

Also a bequest in his will, dated September 20, 1849.

Invested in one City of Boston Six per cent. Bond, for . . . \$20,000 00

The interest on this fund is to be annually devoted to the maintenance of a Free Public Library.

ABBOTT LAWRENCE FUND. — This is the bequest of ABBOTT LAWRENCE of Boston. Received May, 1860.

Invested in one City of Boston Six per cent. Bond, for . . . \$10,000 00

The interest on this fund is to be exclusively appropriated for the purchase of books for the said Library, having a permanent value.

EDWARD LAWRENCE FUND. — This is the bequest of EDWARD LAWRENCE of Charlestown. Received May, 1886. The following clause from his will explains its purpose:

"To hold and apply the income, and so much of the principal as they may choose, to the purchase of special books of reference to be kept and used only at the Charlestown Branch of said Public Library."

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$500 00

PIERCE FUND.—This is a gift from HENRY L. PIERCE, Mayor of the City, November 29, 1873, and accepted by the City Council, December 27, 1873.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$5,000 00

TOWNSEND FUND.—This is a gift from William Minot and William Minot, Jr., executors of the will of MARY P. TOWNSEND, of Boston, at whose disposal she left a certain portion of her estate in trust, for such charitable and public institutions as they may think meritorious. Said executors accordingly selected the Public Library of the City of Boston as one of such institutions, and attached the following conditions to the legacy: "The income only shall, in each and every year, be expended in the purchase of books for the use of the Library; each of which books shall have been published in some one edition at least five years at the time it may be so purchased." Received April, 1879.

Invested in one City of Boston Three and one-half per cent.

Bond, for \$4,000 00

TICKNOR BEQUEST.—By the will of the late GEORGE TICKNOR, of Boston, he gave to the City of Boston, on the death of his wife, all his books and manuscripts, in the Spanish and Portuguese languages, about four thousand volumes, and also the sum of four thousand dollars. After the receipt of said sum, the City is required to spend not less than one thousand dollars in every five years during the twenty-five years next succeeding (i.e., the income of four thousand dollars, at the rate of five per cent. per annum), in the purchase of books in the Spanish and Portuguese languages and literature, five years old in some one edition. At the end of twenty-five years the income of said sum is to be expended annually in the purchase of books of permanent value, either in the Spanish or Portuguese language, or in such other languages as may be deemed expedient by those having charge of the Library. These books bequeathed or purchased are always to be freely accessible for reference or study, but are not to be loaned for use outside of the Library building. If these bequests are not accepted by the City, and the trusts and conditions faithfully executed, the books, manuscripts and money are to be given to the President and Fellows of Harvard College.

In order that the City might receive the immediate benefit of this contribution, Anna Ticknor, widow of Mr. Ticknor, relinquished her right to retain during her life the books and manuscripts, and placed them under the control of the City, the City Council having previously accepted the bequests in accordance with the terms and conditions of said will, and the Trustees of the Public Library received said bequests on behalf of the City, and made suitable arrangements for the care and custody of the books and manuscripts. Received April, 1871.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$4,000 00

FRANKLIN CLUB FUND.—This is a gift made in June, 1863, by a literary association of young men in Boston, who, at the dissolution of the association, authorized its trustees, Thomas Minns, John J. French and J. Franklin Reed, to dispose of the funds on hand in such a manner as to them should seem judicious. They elected to bestow it on the Public Library, attaching to it the following conditions: "In trust that the income, but the income only, shall, year by year, be expended in the purchase of books of permanent value for the use of the free Public Library of the City, and as far as practicable, of such a character as to be of special interest to young men." The Trustees expressed a preference for books relative to Government and Political Economy. Received June, 1863.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . . \$1,000 00

TREADWELL FUND. — By the will of the late DANIEL TREADWELL of Cambridge, late Rumford Professor in Harvard College, who died February 27, 1872, he left the residue of his estate, after payment of debts, legacies, etc., in trust to his executors, to hold during the life of his wife for her benefit, and, after her decease, to divide the residue then remaining in the hands of the trustees as therein provided, and convey one-fifth part thereof to the Trustees of the Public Library in the City of Boston.

The City Council have accepted said bequest, and authorized the Trustees of the Public Library to receive the same, and to invest it in the City of Boston Bonds, the income of which is to be expended by said trustees, in such manner as they may deem for the best interests of the Library.

Invested in the City of Boston Four per cent. Bonds, for . . .	\$5,550 00
Invested in the City of Boston Three and one-half per cent. Bonds, for . . .	1,400 00
Invested in 16 shares Boston & Albany R.R. Co. stock, par value \$100 each . . .	1,600 00
Invested in 6 shares Boston & Providence R.R. Co. stock, par value \$100 each . . .	600 00
Invested in 12 shares Fitchburg R.R. Co. stock, par value \$100 each . . .	1,200 00
Invested in 1 share Vermont & Massachusetts R.R. Co. stock, par value \$100 each . . .	100 00
	<u>\$10,450 00</u>

CHARLOTTE HARRIS FUND. — Bequest of CHARLOTTE HARRIS, late of Boston, the object of which is stated in the following extract from her will:

"I give to the Charlestown Public Library \$10,000, to be invested on interest, which interest is to be applied to the purchase of books published before 1850. I also give to said Public Library my own private library, and the portrait of my grandfather, Richard Devens." Bequest accepted by City Council, July 31, 1877.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . .	<u>\$10,000 00</u>
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THOMAS B. HARRIS FUND. — Bequest of THOMAS B. HARRIS, late of Charlestown, for the benefit of the Charlestown Public Library. Received April, 1884.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . .	<u>\$1,000 00</u>
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SCHOLFIELD FUND. — Bequest of ARTHUR SCHOLFIELD, who died in New York, January 17, 1883. The interest to be paid to certain heirs during their lives, and then to be used for the purchase of books of permanent value. The last heir, Joseph Scholfield, died November 18, 1889, and by his will bequeathed to the City of Boston the sum of \$11,800, which represents the income of said fund, received by him up to the time of his death, to be added to the fund given by his brother.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for . . .	\$50,000 00
" " " " " " " " . . .	11,800 00
	<u>\$61,800 00</u>

GREEN FUND. — Gifts from Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, of Boston, of \$2,000, the income of which is to be expended for the purchase of books relating to American history.

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Invested in one City of Boston Five per cent. Bond, for	.	\$1,000 00
" " " Four " " "	.	500 00
" " " Three " " "	.	500 00
		<u>\$2,000 00</u>

SOUTH BOSTON BRANCH LIBRARY TRUST FUND.—Gift of a citizen of South Boston, the income of which is to be expended for the benefit of the South Boston Branch Library. Received September, 1879.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for	.	<u>\$100 00</u>
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CHARLES GREELY LORING MEMORIAL FUND.—This is a gift from the family of Charles Greely Loring, the income of which is to be expended for the purchase of books for the West End Branch. Received January, 1896.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for	.	<u>\$500 00</u>
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CHARLES MEAD PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUND.—Received from the estate of Charles Mead, the amount of his legacy, to constitute the "CHARLES MEAD PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUND," for the promotion of the objects of the Public Library, in such manner as the government of said Library shall deem best, and so far as the government shall deem consistent with the objects of the Library, to be used for the benefit of the South Boston Branch Library. Received October, 1896.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for	.	<u>\$2,500 00</u>
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ARTZ FUND.—This is a gift made in November, 1896, by Miss VICTORINE THOMAS ARTZ of Chicago; the income "to be employed in the purchase of valuable rare editions of the writings, either in verse or prose, of American and of foreign authors." These books are to be known as the "Longfellow Memorial Collection."

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for	.	<u>\$10,000 00</u>
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JOHN BOYLE O'REILLY MEMORIAL FUND.—This fund was received from the members of the Papyrus Club, May, 1897. The income thereof is to be expended for the purchase of books in memory of their late member, JOHN BOYLE O'REILLY.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for	.	<u>\$1,000 00</u>
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TWENTIETH REGIMENT MEMORIAL FUND.—This is a gift made in April, 1897, by the Association of Officers of the Twentieth Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. It is to be used for the purchase of books of a military and patriotic character, to be placed in the alcove appropriated as a Memorial of the Twentieth Regiment.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for	.	<u>\$5,000 00</u>
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TODD FUND.—This is a gift made in October, 1897, by WILLIAM C. TODD, of Atkinson, New Hampshire. The income is to be expended annually in payment for such current newspapers of this and other countries as the board of officers for the time being having charge of the Public Library of the City of Boston shall purchase.

Invested in one City of Boston Four per cent. Bond, for	.	<u>\$50,000 00</u>
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BRADLEE FUND.—A bequest of the Rev. CALEB DAVIS BRADLEE, D.D., of Boston, to the Boston Public Library. Received November, 1897.

Invested in one City of Boston Three and one-half per cent.

Bond, for	<u>\$1,000 00</u>
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HENRY SARGENT CODMAN MEMORIAL FUND.—This is a contribution from the friends of the late HENRY SARGENT CODMAN, to be used to perpetuate the memory of Mr. Codman by the purchase of books upon landscape gardening. Received January, 1898.

Invested in one City of Boston Three and one-half per cent.

Bond, for	\$2,800 00
Cash in City Treasury, January 31, 1901	54 41
	<u>\$2,854 41</u>

FORD FUND.—A bequest of DANIEL SHARP FORD to the Public Library of the City of Boston. Received June, 1900.

Invested in one City of Boston Three per cent. Bond, for . .	<u>\$6,000 00</u>
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CUTTER FUND.—A bequest of ABBEAM E. CUTTER, the income of which is to be expended for the purchase of books and for binding for the Abram E. Cutter collection.

Invested in one City of Boston Three per cent. Bond, for . .	<u>\$4,000 00</u>
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RECAPITULATION OF PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS.

Scholfield Fund	\$61,800 00
Bates Fund	50,000 00
Todd Fund	50,000 00
Phillips Fund	20,000 00
Treadwell Fund	10,487 69
Phillips Fund	10,000 00
Bowditch Fund	10,000 00
Charlotte Harris Fund	10,000 00
Abbott Lawrence Fund	10,000 00
Artz Fund	10,000 00
Ford Fund	6,000 00
Twentieth Regiment Memorial Fund	5,000 00
Pierce Fund	5,000 00
Townsend Fund	4,000 00
Ticknor Fund	4,000 00
Cutter Fund	4,000 00
Codman Memorial Fund	2,854 41
Charles Mead Fund	2,500 00
Green Fund	2,000 00
Bigelow Fund	1,000 00
Thomas B. Harris Fund	1,000 00
Franklin Club Fund	1,000 00
John Boyle O'Reilly Memorial Fund	1,000 00
Bradlee Fund	1,000 00
Edward Lawrence Fund	500 00
Charles Greely Loring Memorial Fund	500 00
South Boston Branch Library Trust Fund	100 00
	<u>\$283,742 10</u>

LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS.—INVESTED IN CITY OF BOSTON BONDS.

EXPENDITURES FOR BRANCHES AND DELIVERY STATIONS, 1890-1902.

	1890-91.	1891-92. (9 mos.)	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.	1901-1902.
EAST BOSTON.												
Salaries.....	\$2,643 88	\$1,378 10	\$2,588 49	\$2,528 49	\$2,333 31	\$2,814 08	\$2,891 92	\$2,840 07	\$3,099 06	\$3,256 21	\$3,353 69	\$3,496 09
Books and Periodicals.....	255 55	417 68	513 70	288 87	359 88	842 14	930 38	763 00	846 61	1,016 76	1,122 47	1,020 76
Expense.....	999 90	604 96	757 06	764 83	631 15	609 45	709 53	713 06	843 69	725 74	802 54	1,706 97
	\$3,899 28	\$2,390 74	\$3,859 33	\$3,562 19	\$3,316 31	\$4,266 37	\$4,521 83	\$4,325 13	\$4,789 35	\$4,998 71	\$5,278 70	\$6,216 82
SOUTH BOSTON.												
Salaries.....	\$2,904 60	\$2,306 96	\$3,380 11	\$2,996 30	\$3,271 93	\$3,249 45	\$3,408 40	\$3,626 70	\$3,681 64	\$3,918 43	\$3,901 71	\$3,722 60
Books and Periodicals.....	448 46	707 86	788 56	573 23	771 37	808 75	1,819 38	873 32	876 70	893 94	1,057 73	1,073 63
Expense.....	3,172 57	3,102 20	3,054 57	3,328 14	3,143 26	3,624 76	3,804 63	3,178 25	3,102 49	3,125 78	2,856 11	2,673 60
	\$6,525 63	\$6,117 00	\$7,227 24	\$6,897 67	\$7,185 56	\$7,772 96	\$8,122 41	\$7,678 27	\$7,660 83	\$7,897 34	\$7,907 55	\$7,469 83
ROXBURY.												
Salaries.....	\$3,154 69	\$2,301 35	\$3,392 30	\$3,131 85	\$3,262 05	\$3,161 55	\$3,447 72	\$3,475 96	\$3,380 47	\$3,578 40	\$3,658 76	\$3,324 15
* Books and Periodicals.....	452 94	442 75	774 26	398 77	494 40	658 42	1,332 09	436 75	9 05	10	5 22	
Expense.....	2,725 27	2,675 43	2,310 20	2,967 53	2,526 12	3,000 15	2,678 90	3,371 12	2,745 09	2,675 96	2,615 49	2,709 91
	\$6,332 90	\$5,419 53	\$6,466 76	\$6,476 15	\$6,283 56	\$6,820 12	\$7,458 71	\$6,883 85	\$6,124 61	\$6,264 45	\$6,279 47	\$6,334 06
CHARLESTOWN.												
Salaries.....	\$2,738 53	\$1,950 18	\$2,608 83	\$2,201 90	\$2,596 88	\$2,397 53	\$3,006 51	\$2,945 22	\$2,909 99	\$3,384 55	\$3,575 55	\$3,674 63
Books and Periodicals.....	604 78	375 17	689 15	336 00	423 64	885 91	1,266 10	646 11	520 41	277 94	1,430 80	1,335 85
Expense.....	868 86	872 93	974 89	1,105 35	798 05	913 62	1,085 78	855 24	913 31	803 56	848 47	1,121 21
	\$4,212 16	\$3,198 28	\$4,272 87	\$3,633 25	\$3,806 57	\$4,147 06	\$5,300 39	\$4,346 57	\$4,243 71	\$4,476 06	\$5,354 62	\$6,331 38

* Books added to this branch paid for by the Trustees of the Fellows Athenaeum are not included above.

EXPENDITURES FOR BRANCHES AND DELIVERY STATIONS. — *Continued.*

	1890-91.	1891-92. (9 mos.)	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.	1901-1902.
BRIGHTON.												
Salaries.....	\$1,532 30	\$1,134 87	\$1,748 88	\$1,687 77	\$1,873 00	\$1,898 00	\$2,040 75	\$2,117 97	\$2,260 38	\$2,430 44	\$2,511 46	\$2,632 55
Books and Periodicals.....	96 44	214 44	173 61	126 90	254 54	741 00	1,063 73	763 22	543 95	638 91	940 98	846 81
Expense.....	1,202 97	1,111 39	778 21	1,048 23	684 90	509 89	1,218 05	844 74	1,968 18	608 06	1,714 53	841 58
	\$2,862 11	\$2,460 70	\$2,709 70	\$2,862 90	\$2,711 34	\$3,231 89	\$4,322 53	\$3,714 98	\$4,790 51	\$3,676 53	\$5,167 92	\$4,320 92
DORCHESTER.												
Salaries.....	\$3,129 21	\$1,637 12	\$1,363 46	\$1,518 94	\$2,067 41	\$2,211 16	\$2,631 23	\$2,668 31	\$2,767 01	\$2,723 23	\$3,005 95	\$3,144 89
Books and Periodicals.....	238 67	336 22	422 04	331 23	464 05	808 08	1,310 70	704 82	590 92	659 67	878 52	914 95
Expense.....	1,015 23	657 88	703 60	632 50	488 00	700 25	687 57	661 06	684 39	658 88	1,002 32	675 68
	\$3,483 21	\$2,571 17	\$3,068 10	\$2,882 77	\$3,019 46	\$3,717 44	\$4,689 90	\$4,029 31	\$3,963 32	\$4,046 78	\$4,886 79	\$4,735 50
SOUTH END.												
Salaries.....	\$2,186 75	\$1,544 40	\$2,351 93	\$1,969 98	\$2,127 27	\$3,239 76	\$2,944 25	\$2,352 67	\$2,405 67	\$2,505 83	\$2,647 16	\$2,646 60
Books and Periodicals.....	321 67	514 80	733 67	538 01	467 74	574 76	1,254 04	788 20	534 24	633 54	584 38	849 53
Expense.....	692 46	910 43	533 51	1,128 85	684 28	537 32	465 21	639 96	911 36	405 17	633 50	930 60
	\$3,111 08	\$2,969 63	\$3,619 11	\$3,536 83	\$3,279 29	\$3,351 84	\$4,063 50	\$3,780 83	\$3,851 27	\$3,545 54	\$4,314 99	\$4,416 78
JAMAICA PLAIN.												
Salaries.....	\$1,675 13	\$1,270 20	\$1,974 97	\$1,677 67	\$1,943 57	\$2,093 53	\$2,069 05	\$2,131 85	\$2,156 43	\$2,289 90	\$2,366 11	\$2,473 57
Books and Periodicals.....	374 05	539 54	667 83	263 37	349 96	723 58	1,174 27	763 37	605 58	609 10	839 95	796 59
Expense.....	538 17	774 14	795 11	1,025 75	639 10	702 25	838 26	841 30	837 94	759 09	894 21	911 23
	\$3,587 35	\$2,683 88	\$3,437 91	\$3,964 79	\$3,132 63	\$3,449 36	\$4,110 43	\$3,736 52	\$3,599 94	\$3,608 09	\$4,130 30	\$4,180 39

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NORTH END.											
Salaries	\$1,416 50	\$1,025 75	\$1,331 50	\$1,369 00	\$1,529 41	\$653 83 (6 mos.) 11 38					
Books and Periodicals	85 03	232 10	128 06	148 24	122 35						
Expense	1,025 64	1,200 02	665 59	752 02	618 19	412 46					
	\$2,527 17	\$2,567 87	\$2,125 75	\$2,269 26	\$2,269 95	\$1,033 80					
LOWER MILLS.											
Salaries	\$274 00	\$210 00	\$312 00	\$238 00	\$313 00	\$336 00	\$453 67	\$448 00	\$448 00	\$416 00	\$416 00
Books and Periodicals	52 71	58 57	56 21	71 81	53 65	214 36	75 55	65 59	67 05	73 25	141 00
Expense	305 25	263 20	254 46	572 74	460 25	318 88	385 28	256 28	427 24	315 38	288 14
	\$631 96	\$531 77	\$622 67	\$882 55	\$825 90	\$868 74	\$924 44	\$769 87	\$942 29	\$804 63	\$815 14
MATTAPAN.											
Salaries	\$25 00					\$303 86	\$424 17	\$448 00	\$448 00	\$448 00	\$448 00
Books and Periodicals							264 96	77 25	81 15	73 25	100 30
Expense	276 31	226 07	341 32	364 40	359 41	496 64	356 96	355 13	364 83	348 88	481 23
	\$301 31	\$226 07	\$341 32	\$364 40	\$359 41	\$783 50	\$1,046 10	\$880 88	\$863 98	\$868 63	\$1,023 53
NEPONSET.											
Salaries	\$100 00	\$87 56	\$120 00	\$97 50							
Expense	234 80	124 45	263 15	184 08	\$353 35	\$320 34	\$380 81	\$372 86	\$344 04	\$371 98	\$375 44
	\$334 80	\$212 01	\$383 15	\$281 58	\$353 35	\$320 34	\$380 81	\$372 86	\$344 04	\$371 98	\$375 44
ROSLINDALE.											
Salaries	\$45 46									\$66 60	\$779 55
Books and Periodicals											443 57
Expense	288 27	\$267 04	\$339 32	\$371 80	\$459 83	\$438 18	\$604 97	\$774 17	\$725 46	2,696 41	1,506 41
	\$333 73	\$267 04	\$339 32	\$371 80	\$459 83	\$438 18	\$604 97	\$774 17	\$725 46	\$3,703 01	\$2,781 53

EXPENDITURES FOR BRANCHES AND DELIVERY STATIONS.—Continued.

	1890-91.	1891-92. (9 mos.)	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.	1901-1902.
WEST ROXBURY.												
Salaries	\$120 62	\$78 50	\$140 80	\$326 50	\$338 97	\$377 00	\$598 40	\$762 45	\$850 76	\$985 80	\$1,006 05	\$1,233 33
Books and Periodicals				35 00	17 60	454 20	1,252 19	257 94	193 76	245 08	452 22	485 25
Expense	75 60	84 25	206 37	823 62	264 58	359 69	431 56	470 31	412 77	340 08	1,268 27	468 74
	\$196 22	\$162 75	\$347 17	\$685 12	\$621 15	\$1,190 89	\$2,282 15	\$1,490 70	\$1,466 29	\$1,670 96	\$2,816 54	\$2,207 32
MOUNT BOWDOIN.												
Salaries	\$276 00	\$201 25	\$238 25	\$276 00	\$294 00	\$322 00	\$433 38	\$448 00	\$448 00	\$448 00	\$416 00	\$448 00
Books and Periodicals	108 12	78 07	80 57	87 96	68 20	255 31	87 15	73 45	75 40	69 45	73 25	139 56
Expense	480 95	346 70	462 29	479 00	423 79	427 36	514 76	524 14	508 18	511 34	495 97	463 98
	\$865 07	\$626 02	\$841 11	\$842 96	\$785 99	\$1,004 67	\$1,055 31	\$1,045 59	\$1,028 58	\$1,028 79	\$985 22	\$1,051 54
ALLSTON.												
Salaries	\$48 00											
Expense	286 46	\$276 30	\$330 60	\$385 90	\$381 21	\$403 08	\$466 56	\$510 47	\$467 60	\$473 48	\$440 22	\$560 22
	\$334 46	\$276 30	\$330 60	\$385 90	\$381 21	\$403 08	\$466 56	\$510 47	\$467 60	\$473 48	\$440 22	\$560 22
ASHMONT.												
Expense	\$220 44	\$193 47	\$242 71	\$379 16	\$371 48	\$359 00	\$396 88	\$393 91	\$461 00	\$469 74	\$479 75	\$479 48
DORCHESTER STATION.												
Expense	\$100 33	\$204 34	\$255 60	\$322 39	\$328 16	\$319 41	\$438 74	\$537 91	\$476 97	\$448 02	\$480 07	\$528 93
BIRD STREET.												
Expense			\$990 14	\$317 47	\$890 09	\$319 58	\$358 47	\$375 54	\$340 17	\$345 18	\$390 71	\$388 80

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EXPENDITURES FOR BRANCHES AND DELIVERY STATIONS.—*Concluded.*

	1890-91.	1891-92.	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.	1901-1902.
WEST END.												
Salaries.....						\$529 32 (4 mos.)	\$4,462 20	\$4,622 83	\$4,300 66	\$4,726 80	\$5,062 34	\$5,428 47
Books and Periodicals.....						403 80	1,236 20	704 63	602 66	717 41	1,010 59	903 69
Expense.....						1 50	2,260 28	2,225 63	2,439 47	2,196 04	2,692 65	2,968 99
BROADWAY EXTENSION.						\$424 62	\$7,958 68	\$7,553 06	\$7,242 79	\$7,639 25	\$8,755 48	\$9,015 15
Salaries.....							\$183 00	\$528 98	\$669 15	\$668 16	\$686 17	\$661 04
Books and Periodicals.....							682 13	513 06	499 12	350 96	440 23	596 08
Expense.....							488 23	1,220 98	1,166 70	1,179 26	1,060 21	1,292 10
ROXBURY CROSSING.							\$1,318 26	\$2,292 91	\$2,324 97	* \$2,388 28	* \$2,466 61	* \$2,796 23
Salaries.....									\$443 12	\$470 54	\$487 00	\$455 00
Books and Periodicals.....												140 90
Expense.....								\$166 84 (11 mos.)	164 47	144 15	496 51	896 65
BOYLSTON STATION.									\$608 60	\$614 60	\$673 51	\$1,404 55
Expense.....								\$98 29 (3 mos.)	\$516 05	\$491 24	\$476 43	\$513 64
SCHOOL-HOUSES.												
Expense.....								\$47 52	\$98 25	\$85 24	\$18 27	\$19 37
ENGINE-HOUSES, ETC.												
Expense.....								\$71 41	\$98 10	\$97 69	\$106 79	\$126 28

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UNION PARK STREET.									
Salaries.....								\$578 00	\$584 76
Books and Periodicals.....									115 64
Expenses.....								117 12	164 37
								\$685 12	\$854 68
INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.									
Books and Periodicals.....									\$63 85
Expenses.....								\$148 03	414 83
									\$480 67
ANDREW SQUARE.									
Salaries.....								\$62 67	\$608 00
Books and Periodicals.....								286 84	88 03
Expense.....								1,418 15	307 51
								\$1,743 66	\$1,008 54
ORIENT HEIGHTS.									
Salaries.....									\$331 17
Books and Periodicals.....									1,308 70
Expenses.....									475 47
									\$2,090 34 (8 mos.)
								\$73,984 14	\$76,483 22

* This total covers the payments amounting to \$387.79 made from the special appropriation for "Broadway Extension Improvements."

APPENDIX II.

EXTENT OF THE LIBRARY BY YEARS.

YEARS.			Total Volumes in the Libraries.	YEARS.			Total Volumes in the Libraries.	YEARS.			Total Volumes in the Libraries.
1	1852-53	9,688	18	1869-70	160,578	35	1886	479,421			
2	1853-54	16,321	19	1870-71	179,250	36	1887	492,966			
3	1854-55	22,617	20	1871-72	192,968	37	1888	506,872			
4	1855-56	28,080	21	1872-73	209,466	38	1889	520,506			
5	1856-57	34,896	22	1873-74	230,660	39	1890	536,027			
6	1857-58	70,851	23	1874-75	276,918	40	1891	556,238			
7	1858-59	78,043	24	1875-76	297,873	41	1892	576,237			
8	1859-60	85,031	25	1876-77	312,010	42	1893	597,132			
9	1860-61	97,886	26	1877-78	345,734	43	1894	610,375			
10	1861-62	105,084	27	1878-79	360,963	44	1895	628,297			
11	1862-63	110,568	28	1879-80	377,225	45	1896-97	663,763			
12	1863-64	116,964	29	1880-81	390,963	46	1897-98	696,836			
13	1864-65	123,916	30	1881-82	404,221	47	1898-99	716,050			
14	1865-66	130,678	31	1882-83	422,116	48	1899-1900	746,383			
15	1866-67	136,080	32	1883-84	438,594	49	1900-1901	781,377			
16	1867-68	144,092	33	1884-85	453,947	50	1901-1902	812,364			
17	1868-69	152,796	34	1885	460,993						

VOLUMES IN LIBRARY AND BRANCHES, JANUARY 31, 1902,
ACCORDING TO LOCATION.

Central Library		608,155	West End	12,514
Duplicate room		32,346	West Roxbury	5,028
		635,501	Lower Mills (Station A)	128
Roxbury branch {	Fellowes Athenæum	22,432	Roslindale (Station B)	1,906
	Collection owned by City	12,400	Mattapan (Station D)	136
	Total, Roxbury branch	34,832	Mt. Bowdoin (Station F)	1,014
			North Brighton (Station L) ..	108
Brighton		15,218	Mt. Pleasant (Station N)	114
Charlestown		29,527	Broadway Ext. (Station P) ..	2,270
Dorchester		17,107	Roxbury Crossing (Station S)	350
East Boston		12,623	Ward Nine (Station U)	322
Jamaica Plain		13,607	Industrial School (Station W)	67
South Boston		15,530	Andrew Sq. (Station Y)	216
South End		13,415	Orient Heights (Station Z) ..	736

APPENDIX III.

NET INCREASE OF THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS.

	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.	1901-1902.
Bates Hall.....	16,499	20,483	32,491	} 11,821	20,273	26,579	20,680	21,387	25,049	20,482
Lower Hall.....	818	loss 455	746							
Duplicate room.....	1's 9,143	loss 542	1's 8,056	313	2,890	8,608	2,063	6,894	8,098	2,324
Brighton branch.....	98	23	292	107	1,217	276	1's 3,190	471	135	736
Charlestown branch....	22	339	300	loss 16	1's 112	398	2,086	1's 13	1's 3,158	742
Dorchester branch.....	209	134	358	loss 73	1,415	159	1's 1,402	514	585	595
East Boston branch....	5	48	126	112	1,021	147	1's 1,478	1's 255	495	569
Jamaica Plain branch,	112	221	329	273	1,277	374	1's 1,286	29	467	615
¹ North End branch....	84	75	63	1's 1,861						
Roxbury branch.....	loss 352	147	382	48	1,202	1's 2,896	1's 1,628	1's 424	1's 324	loss 250
Fellowes Athenæum...	289	318	318	407	348	402	936	990	1,070	911
South Boston branch...	51	55	401	loss 289	1,509	loss 69	113	1's 440	1's 118	1,166
South End branch.....	loss 67	26	276	138	1,435	308	1's 688	1's 588	1's 505	599
West End branch.....			1,997	6,522	1,555	335	466	498	721	470
W. Roxbury branch....		33	4	626	loss 8	185	169	199	414	98
Lower Mills reading-room.....				85	3				loss 1	41
Roslindale reading-room.....									1,524	382
Mattapan reading-room.....				73	24	1				26
Mt. Bowdoin reading-room.....				74	932	loss 30	16		loss 5	27
North Brighton reading-room.....	8			74	loss 7		1	loss 1		26
Mt. Pleasant reading-room.....										114
Broadway Extension reading-room.....				261	724	307	290	172	295	221
Roxbury Crossing delivery station.....								213	loss 5	142
Ward Nine delivery station.....								257	59	126
Industrial School delivery station.....										67
Andrew Square reading-room.....									203	13
Orient Heights reading-room.....										756
Total.....	8,633	20,915	29,927	18,696	35,898	35,129	17,162	30,333	34,994	30,887

¹ Collection transferred to West End branch.

PLACED ON THE SHELVES FEBRUARY 1, 1901, TO JANUARY 31, 1902.

	Placed on the Shelves.	Condemned, missing, transferred.	Net Gain.
Central Library.....	25,485	5,003	20,482
Central Library, Duplicate room.....	2,508	284	2,224
Brighton branch.....	871	145	726
Charlestown branch.....	1,384	642	742
Dorchester branch.....	881	236	595
East Boston branch.....	1,087	518	569
Jamaica Plain branch.....	908	188	615
Roxbury branch, city collection	22	272	loss 250
Roxbury branch, Fellowes Athenæum...	1,058	147	911
South Boston branch	1,631	465	1,166
South End branch	773	174	599
West End branch.....	885	365	470
West Roxbury branch.....	530	437	93
Lower Mills reading-room.....	41	.....	41
Roslindale reading-room	398	16	382
Mattapan reading-room.....	29	1	28
Mt. Bowdoin reading-room.....	52	25	27
North Brighton reading-room.....	28	.....	28
Mt. Pleasant reading-room.....	114	.....	114
Broadway Extension reading-room.....	535	314	221
Roxbury Crossing delivery station.....	174	32	142
Ward Nine delivery station.....	182	6	126
Industrial School delivery station.....	67	.....	67
Andrew Square reading-room.....	21	8	13
Orient Heights reading-room.....	762	6	756
Total	40,221	9,334	30,887

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT:

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VOLUMES IN THE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS.

	1882.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900.	1900-1901.	1901-1902.
Patent library.....	3,142	4,335	4,521	5,531	5,733	5,971	6,287	6,666	7,045	7,578	7,783
Bowditch library.....	3,224	5,026	5,717	6,003	6,077	6,192	6,279	6,349	6,439	6,682	6,788
Parker library.....	12,363	14,116	14,116	13,819	13,820	13,845	13,848	13,854	13,865	13,866	13,869
Prince library.....	2,374	3,000	3,025	2,045	2,045	2,045	2,045	2,047	2,049	2,049	2,049
Tieknor library.....	5,463	6,016	6,096	6,098	6,140	6,165	6,172	6,290	6,224	6,274	6,310
Barton library.....	13,487	13,764	13,775	13,624	13,627	13,491	13,491	13,491	13,493	13,499	13,499
Franklin library.....	240	482	490	565	578	582	591	598	608	616	620
Thayer library.....	883	3,984	5,269	5,383	5,384	5,385	5,385	5,386	5,386	5,387	5,388
John A. Lewis library.....	.....	617	621	679	679	679	679	681	681	683	680
Gilbert library.....	.....	420	420	422	422	422	422	422	422	422	422
Tosti library (1860, 120 vols.).....	120	120	120	120	120	120	120	120	120	120	120
Hunt library (1877, 600 vols.).....	680	669	669	669	669	669	669	669	669	669	669
John Adams library.....	.....	.....	.....	2,819	2,819	2,819	2,819	2,819	2,819	2,819	3,019
Allen A. Brown library.....	.....	.....	.....	6,382	6,900	7,671	7,745	7,874	8,181	8,644	8,832
Chamberlain library.....	.....	.....	.....	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150
Military library.....	.....	.....	.....	308	315	321	321	321	321	321	321
United States Congressional docs.	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,929	3,763	3,884	4,043	4,187	4,423	4,640
Great Britain Parl. papers.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,476	6,384	6,606	6,703	6,910	6,928	7,088
Galatea library.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,184	1,389	1,569	1,762
Codman library.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	696	699	714	780
Artz library.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	624	690	898	1,297
Newspaper room.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,569	5,397	5,746	6,001
Browning collection.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	328	329	404	435
Statistical department.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	343	333	6,049	8,324
Charlotte Harris collection.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,301	4,587

* Actual enumeration of original Prince library. Account is now made elsewhere of additions purchased by the city for this collection.

* There has been no loss in the Barton library, but a correction of an error of 126 previously made.

* By recount.

APPENDIX V.

CLASSIFICATION.

¹ BRANCH LIBRARIES.*As Reported by Custodians of Branches, January 31, 1902.*

	Brighton.	Dorchester.	East Boston.	Jamaica Plain.	South Boston.	South End.	West End.	West Roxbury.	Station B.	Station P.
Reference books.....	404	378	418	508	522	297	532	181	94	57
Genealogy and heraldry.....	13	8	23	7	5	5	10	3	1	.....
Biography.....	1,389	1,398	1,125	1,255	1,244	1,489	1,240	437	108	85
History.....	1,488	1,887	1,281	1,149	1,352	1,226	1,201	466	244	124
Fine arts, archæology.....	280	309	249	316	356	288	259	88	82	25
Geography, travels.....	923	892	676	712	812	778	799	278	89	122
Language.....	89	74	60	91	62	67	129	16	18	11
Literature.....	1,623	1,437	1,409	1,210	1,860	1,410	1,242	496	133	105
Medicine, hygiene.....	87	90	88	68	111	101	68	22	3	2
Natural science.....	523	394	335	406	426	406	547	126	67	76
Philosophy, ethics, education..	297	209	173	200	210	233	254	60	16	10
Religion, theology.....	298	209	168	186	251	221	336	55	6	11
Sociology.....	202	117	118	128	182	124	234	53	11	19
Law.....	16	7	15	7	21	14	6	.....	1	1
Useful and industrial arts.....	263	208	172	207	211	177	298	60	37	24
Amusements, games, sports....	75	71	67	71	75	74	69	14	10	7
Fiction.....	4,922	5,633	4,008	4,136	4,722	3,984	2,310	1,089	267	243
Books for the young.....	1,558	1,719	1,534	1,508	1,388	1,560	1,869	1,361	664	1,236
Bound periodicals.....	774	1,199	520	1,120	1,569	825	617	199	80	53
Unclassified.....	.....	1,878	189	318	691	186	.....	24	.....	49
Total.....	15,218	17,107	12,623	13,607	15,520	13,415	12,514	5,028	1,906	2,270

¹ For the Charlestown and Roxbury branches the figures of the re-classification are not yet completed.

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**CLASSIFICATION OF HOLDERS OF "LIVE CARDS"
JANUARY 31, 1902.**

BY SEX AND OCCUPATION.

CLASSES.	Permanent Residents.	¹ Non-residents.
MALES.		
<i>Over 21 years of age.</i>		
Professional classes.....	2,512	160
Teachers	424	192
Students	1,309	920
Business men.....	7,609	116
Unemployed.....	1,845	488
Laborers.....	462	
<i>Under 21 years of age.</i>		
Clerks.....	1,298	94
Office and errand boys.....	724	4
Unemployed.....	480	7
Pupils of Latin and High schools.....	1,382	14
Pupils of Grammar schools	8,873	11
Other students.....	488	62
FEMALES.		
<i>Over 21 years of age.</i>		
Professional classes.....	516	98
Teachers	2,090	169
Students	1,542	1,614
Business women.....	4,681	181
Married.....	8,292	204
Single, unemployed	8,218	608
<i>Under 21 years of age.</i>		
Clerks.....	1,861	74
Errand girls.....	543	9
Unemployed.....	1,494	82
Pupils of Latin and High schools.....	1,414	23
Pupils of Grammar schools	9,312	27
Other students.....	488	89
Totals.....	67,661	5,241

¹ Including persons temporarily sojourning in Boston.

N.B.—Of the 2,530 teachers' cards issued prior to February 1, 1902, 1,216 are live cards; of these, 982 are held by permanent residents, in addition to their ordinary cards (not included in permanent residents' column above), and 284 are held by non-residents (which are included in non-residents' column above).

Of the 709 special privilege cards issued prior to February 1, 1902, 312 are live cards; 260 are held by permanent residents, and 62 are held by non-residents.

BY WARDS.

WARD NO.	No. of Card-holders.	Population, Census of 1901.	Percentage Card-holders.	WARD NO.	No. of Card-holders.	Population, Census of 1901.	Percentage Card-holders.
1.....	1,560	22,632	.0683	14.....	2,195	21,453	.1023
2.....	1,340	22,924	.0506	15.....	1,980	19,700	.1005
3.....	1,306	14,564	.0896	16.....	2,210	20,017	.1104
4.....	1,334	13,248	.1006	17.....	2,350	25,038	.0938
5.....	1,286	12,840	.1001	18.....	2,206	22,401	.0984
6.....	1,690	30,546	.0553	19....	2,290	27,178	.0842
7.....	1,682	14,782	.1137	20.....	4,106	32,556	.1261
8.....	3,943	28,817	.1367	21.....	4,318	23,868	.1809
9.....	2,980	24,588	.1212	22.....	2,886	25,610	.1107
10.....	8,990	22,142	.4060	23.....	2,906	23,637	.1229
11.....	5,260	19,375	.2728	24.....	3,544	27,126	.1306
12.....	5,984	23,641	.2510	25.....	2,916	19,279	.1512
13.....	1,740	22,835	.0761	Total.....	72,902	560,892	.1299

APPENDIX VII.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

HOME USE ONLY.

	Total Circulation. Home use.		From Central Library through Branches and Stations. Included in Central Library Circulation, "B."		From Branches through Stations. Included in Branch Circulation	
	1900- 1901.	1901- 1902.	1900- 1901.	1901- 1902.	1900- 1901.	1901- 1902.
Central Library:						
A., direct	318,514	324,547				
B., through branches and stations	113,143	121,279				
Brighton	42,800	43,054	731	865		
Charlestown	43,706	58,338	965	569		
Dorchester	52,021	63,798	699	614		
East Boston	64,461	73,261	1,657	1,894		
Jamaica Plain	50,758	57,449	1,198	1,438		
Roxbury	88,622	95,858	823	681		
South Boston	75,294	87,774	896	762		
South End	87,604	88,020	1,108	1,211		
West End	131,582	137,713	2,843	3,252		
West Roxbury	24,066	27,879	1,800	1,310		
Station A	5,427	6,945	2,377	2,020	* 485	* 509
B.	16,688	40,823	6,808	4,047		
D.	4,768	5,237	3,305	3,553		
E.	6,490	8,581	2,155	1,849	* 726	* 1,059
F.	11,668	14,382	3,017	3,564		
G.	9,391	12,925	5,644	4,991	* 81	* 85
H.	8,786	10,158	4,843	4,596	* 1,150	* 791
J.	10,143	11,818	5,963	5,966		
K.	5,840	6,918	2,062	1,983		
L.	5,125	5,542	2,206	1,769		
Carried forward	1,176,837	1,302,289	50,569	46,814	2,442	2,444

See notes, page 88.

APPENDIX VII. — *Concluded.*

	Total Circulation. Home use.		From Central Library through Branches and Stations. Included in Central Library Circulation "B."		From Branches through Stations. Included in Branch Circulation.	
	1900- 1901.	1901- 1902.	1900- 1901.	1901- 1902.	1900- 1901.	1901- 1902.
<i>Brought forward.....</i>	1,176,887	1,302,289	50,569	46,814	2,442	2,444
Station M.....	9,454	11,150	4,421	4,004		
N.....	12,088	16,473	5,780	5,941		
P.....	26,449	29,164	2,253	2,069		
Q.....	16,669	16,267	5,005	4,481		
R.....	18,396	18,081	9,814	9,380	4,243	4,343
S.....	14,382	15,702	5,992	6,614		
T.....	11,199	12,866	4,349	3,827		
U.....	17,039	19,451	6,063	8,878		
W.....	4,516	9,153	9,976	13,882		
Y.....	1,393	10,508	187	4,619		142
Z.....		6,390		386		
Cottage Place.....	1,341	1,398				
Deer Island.....	61					
Guild St. Elizabeth.....	679	696				
House of Reformation..	6,396	3,615	222	190		
North Bennet street.....	78					
Parental School.....	704	995				
Schools.....	7,051	8,785	34	46		
Back Bay P. O.....			1,800	1,800		
City Almshouse.....			1,323	1,268		
Engine houses.....			17,075	18,850		
Gallop's Island.....				45		
Vacation Schools, etc.....			1,780	1,715		
Total.....	1,324,728	1,468,513	113,143	121,379	5,085	8,929

¹ Number sent on deposit. Number used on premises not recorded.² Included in Dorchester Branch circulation.³ " " Brighton " "⁴ " " Roxbury " "⁵ " " South Boston " "

APPENDIX VIII.

TRUSTEES FOR FIFTY YEARS.

The Hon. Edward Everett was President of the Board of Trustees from 1852 to 1864; George Ticknor, Esq., in 1865; William W. Greenough, Esq., from 1866 to April, 1888; from May 7, 1888, to May 12, 1888, Prof. Henry W. Haynes; Samuel A. B. Abbott, Esq., May 12, 1888, to April 30, 1895; Hon. F. O. Prince, October 8, 1895, to May 8, 1899; Hon. Solomon Lincoln has served since May 12, 1899.

The Board for 1852 was a preliminary organization; that for 1853 made what is called the first annual report. At first it consisted of one alderman and one common councilman and five citizens at large, until 1867, when a revised ordinance made it to consist of one alderman, two common councilmen and six citizens at large, two of whom retired, unless reelected, each year, while the members from the City Council were elected yearly. In 1878 the organization of the Board was changed to include one alderman, one councilman and five citizens at large, as before 1867; and in 1885, by the provisions of the amended city charter, the representation of the City Government upon the Board, by an alderman and a councilman, was abolished, leaving the Board as at present, consisting of five citizens at large appointed by the Mayor.

Citizens at large in SMALL CAPITALS.

ABBOTT, SAMUEL A. B., 1879-95.
 Allen, James B., 1852-53.
 APPLETON, THOMAS G., 1852-57.
 Barnes, Joseph H., 1871-72.
 BENTON, JOSIAH H., JR., 1894-1901.
 BIGELOW, HON. JOHN P., 1852-68.
 BOWDITCH, HENRY I., M.D., 1865-68.
 BOWDITCH, HENRY P., M.D., 1894-1901.
 Bradlee, John T., 1869-70.
 Bradt, Herman D., 1872-73.
 Braman, Jarvis D., 1868-69.
 BRAMAN, JARVIS D., 1869-72.
 Brown, J. Coffin Jones, 1861-62.
 Burditt, Charles A., 1873-76.
 Carpenter, George O., 1870-71.
 CARR, SAMUEL, 1895-96.
 CHASE, GEORGE B., 1876-85.
 Clapp, William W., Jr., 1864-66.
 Clark, John M., 1855-56.
 Clark, John T., 1873-78.

CLARKE, JAMES FREEMAN, D.D., 1878-88.
 Coe, Henry F., 1878.
 Crane, Samuel D., 1860-61.
 CURTIS, DANIEL S., 1873-75.
 Dennie, George, 1858-60.
 DE NORMANDIE, JAMES, D.D., 1895-1901.
 Dickinson, M. F., Jr., 1871-72.
 Drake, Henry A., 1863-64.
 DWIGHT, THOMAS, M.D., 1899-1901.
 Erving, Edward S., 1852.
 EVERETT, HON. EDWARD, 1852-64.
 Flynn, James J., 1883.
 Frost, Oliver, 1854-55; 1856-58.
 FROTHINGHAM, RICHARD, LL.D., 1875-79.
 Gaffield, Thomas, 1867-68.
 GREEN, SAMUEL A., M.D., 1868-78.
 GREENOUGH, WILLIAM W., 1856-88.
 Guild, Curtis, 1876-77; 1878-79.
 Harris, William G., 1869-70.

- Haynes, Prof. Henry W., 1858-59.
 HAYNES, PROF. HENRY W., 1880-95.
 HILLARD, HON. GEORGE S., 1872-75; 1876-77.
 Howes, Osborne, Jr., 1877-78.
 Ingalls, Melville E., 1870-71.
 Jackson, Patrick T., 1864-65.
 Jenkins, Edward J., 1885.
 Keith, James M., 1868-70.
 Kimball, David P., 1874-76.
 Lawrence, James, 1852.
 Lee, Hon. John H., 1884-85.
 Lewis, Weston, 1867-68.
 LEWIS, WESTON, 1868-79.
 LEWIS, WINSLOW, 1867.
 LINCOLN, HON. SOLOMON, 1897-1901.
 Little, Samuel, 1871-73.
 Messinger, George W., 1855.
 Morse, Godfrey, 1883-84.
 MORTON, HON. ELLIS W., 1870-73.
 Munroe, Abel B., 1854.
 Newton, Jeremiah L., 1867-68.
 Niles, Stephen R., 1870-71.
 O'Brien, Hon. Hugh, 1879-82.
 Pease, Frederick, 1872-73.
 Perkins, William E., 1873-74.
 Perry, Lyman, 1852.
 PIERCE, PHINEAS, 1888-94.
 Plummer, Farnham, 1856-57.
 Pope, Benjamin, 1876-77.
 Pope, Richard, 1877-78.
 Pratt, Charles E., 1890-92.
 PRINCE, HON. FREDERICK O., 1888-99.
 PUTNAM, GEORGE, D.D., 1868-77.
 Reed, Sampson, 1852-53.
 RICHARDS, WILLIAM R., 1889-95.
 Sanger, Hon. George P., 1860-61.
 Sears, Phillip H., 1859-60.
 Seaver, Hon. Benjamin, 1852.
 Shepard, Hon. Harvey N., 1878-79.
 SHURTLEFF, HON. NATHANIEL B., 1852-68.
 Stebbins, Solomon B., 1882-83.
 Story, Joseph, 1855-56; 1865-67.
 THOMAS, BENJAMIN F., LL.D., 1877-78.
 TICKNOR, GEORGE, LL.D., 1852-66.
 Tyler, John S., 1863-64; 1866-67.
 WALKER, FRANCIS A., LL.D., 1896.
 Warren, George W., 1852-54.
 Washburn, Frederick L., 1857-58.
 WHIPPLE, EDWIN P., 1868-70.
 Whitmore, William H., 1882-83.
 WHITMORE, WILLIAM H., 1885-88.
 Whitney, Daniel H., 1862-63.
 Whitten, Charles V., 1883-85.
 Wilson, Elisha T., M.D., 1861-63.
 Wilson, George, 1852.
 WINSOR, JUSTIN, LL.D., 1867.
 Wolcott, Hon. Roger, 1879.
 Wright, Albert J., 1868-69.

LIBRARIANS.

1852 to date.

(From 1858 to 1877 the chief executive officer was entitled Superintendent.)

- CAPEN, EDWARD, *Librarian*, May 13, 1852-December 16, 1874.
 JEWETT, CHARLES C., *Superintendent*, 1858-January 9, 1868.
 WINSOR, JUSTIN, LL.D., *Superintendent*, February 25, 1868-September 30, 1877.
 GREEN, SAMUEL A., M.D., *Trustee, Acting Librarian*, October 1, 1877-September 30, 1878.
 CHAMBERLAIN, MELLEN, LL.D., *Librarian*, October 1, 1878-September 30, 1890.
 DWIGHT, THEODORE F., *Librarian*, April 13, 1892-April 30, 1894.
 PUTNAM, HERBERT, *Librarian*, February 11, 1895-April 3, 1899.
 WHITNEY, JAMES L., *Acting Librarian*, March 31, 1899-December 21, 1899; *Librarian*, December 22, 1899.

APPENDIX IX.

EXAMINING COMMITTEES FOR FIFTY YEARS.

The following have served on the Examining Committees for the years given. The names in *italics* are those of Trustees who have acted as chairmen of the various committees. The thirty-fourth year was from May 1 to December 31, 1885, a period of eight months, for which no Examining Committee was appointed.

- Abbott, Hon. J. G., 1870.
Abbott, S. A. B., 1880, 1894.
 Adams, Brooks, 1894.
 Adams, Nehemiah, D.D., 1860.
 Adams, Wm. T., 1875.
 Alger, Rev. Wm. R., 1870.
 Allen, Hon. Charles, 1899.
 Amory, Miss Anna S., 1890, 1891.
 Andrew, Hon. John F., 1888.
 Andrews, Augustus, 1892, 1893.
 Appleton, Hon. Nathan, 1854.
 Apthorp, Wm. F., 1883, 1899, 1900.
 Arnold, Howard P., 1881.
 Aspinwall, Col. Thomas, 1860.
 Attwood, G., 1877.
 Babson, Thomas M., 1900, 1901.
 Bailey, Edwin C., 1861.
 Ball, Joshua D., 1861.
 Bancroft, Robert H., 1894.
 Bangs, Edward, 1887.
 Barnard, James M., 1866.
 Barry, Rev. Richard J., 1895.
 Bartlett, Sidney, 1869.
 Bates, Hon. John L., 1896, 1897.
 Beebe, James M., 1858.
 Beecher, Edward, D.D., 1854.
 Bent, Samuel Arthur, 1890, 1891.
 Bigelow, Jacob, M.D., 1857.
Bigelow, Hon. John P., 1856.
 Blagden, George W., D.D., 1856.
 Blake, J. Bapst, M.D., 1897, 1898.
 Blake, John G., M.D., 1883, 1891.
 Blake, Mrs. Mary E., 1894, 1900, 1901.
 Bodfish, Rev. Joshua P., 1879, 1891.
 Bowditch, Alfred, 1899, 1900.
 Bowditch, Henry I., M.D., 1855.
Bowditch, Henry I., M. D., 1865.
 Bowditch, Henry P., M.D., 1881.
 Bowditch, J. Ingersoll, LL.D., 1855.
 Bowman, Alfonso, 1867.
 Bowne, Prof. Borden F., 1896, 1897.
 Bradford, Charles F., 1868.
 Bragg, Hon. Henry W., 1898, 1899.
 Brewer, Thomas M., 1865.
 Brimmer, Hon. Martin, 1890, 1891.
 Brooks, Phillips, D.D., 1871.
 Brown, Allen A., 1894.
 Brown, Francis H., M.D., 1899, 1900.
 Browne, Alexander Porter, 1891.
 Browne, Causten, 1876.
 Buckingham, C. E., M. D., 1872.
 Burdett, Everett W., 1896, 1897.
 Burroughs, Rev. Henry, Jr., 1869.
 Byrne, Very Rev. William, 1899, 1900.
 Carpenter, Rev. Carlos C., 1901.
 Carr, Samuel, 1894.
 Carruth, Herbert S., 1892.
 Chadwick, James R., M.D., 1877.
 Chamberlain, Mellen, LL.D., 1894.
 Chaney, Rev. George L., 1868.
 Chase, George B., 1876.
Chase, George B., 1877, 1885.
 Cheever, David W., M.D., 1894.
 Cheever, Miss Helen, 1896, 1897.
 Cheney, Mrs. Ednah D., 1881.
 Clapp, William W., Jr., 1864.
 Clarke, James Freeman, D.D., 1877.
Clarke, James Freeman, D.D., 1882.
 Clement, Edward H., 1894, 1895.
 Coale, George O. G., 1892, 1893.
 Colby, John H., 1900, 1901.
 Collar, William C., 1874.
 Collar, Mrs. William C., 1900, 1901.
 Collins, Hon. Patrick A., 1898, 1899.
 Connolly, Rev. Arthur T., 1898, 1899.
 Corbett, Hon. Joseph J., 1896, 1897.
 Cudworth, Warren H., D.D., 1878.
 Curtis, Charles P., 1862.
 Curtis, Daniel S., 1872.
 Curtis, Thomas B., M.D., 1874.
 Cushing, Thomas, 1885.
 Dalton, Charles H., 1884.
 Dana, Samuel T., 1857.

- Davis, James C., 1899, 1900.
 Dean, Benjamin, 1873.
 Denny, Henry G., 1876.
 Derby, Hasket, M.D., 1895, 1896.
 Dewart, Mrs. William H., 1901.
 Dexter, Henry M., D.D., 1866.
 Dillingham, Rev. Pitt, 1886.
 Dix, James A., 1860.
 Doherty, Phillip J., 1888.
 Dolan, Rev. F. X., 1901.
 Dole, Rev. Charles F., 1901.
 Donahoe, Patrick, 1869.
 Donald, E. Winchester, D.D., 1898, 1899.
 Donnelly, Charles F., 1899, 1900.
 Dreyfus, Mrs. Carl, 1901.
 Dunphy, James W., 1900, 1901.
 Durant, Henry F., 1863.
 Duryea, Joseph T., D.D., 1880.
 Dwight, John S., 1868.
 Dwight, Thomas, M.D., 1880.
 Eastburn, Manton, D.D., 1863.
 Eaton, William S., 1887.
 Edes, Henry H., 1886.
 Eliot, Samuel, LL.D., 1868.
 Ellis, Arthur B., 1888, 1889.
 Ellis, Calvin, M.D., 1871.
 Ellis, George E., D.D., 1881.
 Endicott, William, Jr., 1878.
 Ensworth, William H., M.D., 1898, 1899.
 Ernst, Carl W., 1897, 1898.
 Evans, George W., 1887, 1888, 1889.
 Everett, Sidney, 1895.
 Fallon, Hon. Joseph D., 1899, 1900.
 Farlow, John W., M.D., 1892, 1893.
 Field, Miss Gretchen, 1898.
 Field, Walbridge A., LL.D., 1866.
 Fields, James T., LL.D., 1872.
 Fitz, Reginald H., 1879.
 Fitz, Walter Scott, 1894.
 Foote, Rev. Henry W., 1864.
 Fowle, William F., 1864.
 Freeland, Charles W., 1867.
 Frost, Oliver, 1854.
 Frothingham, Richard, LL.D., 1876.
 Furness, Horace Howard, LL.D., 1882.
 Gannett, Ezra S., D.D., 1855.
 Gargan, Mrs. Helena N., 1901.
 Gargan, Thomas J., 1899, 1900.
 Garland, George M., M.D., 1895, 1896.
 Gay, George H., 1876.
 Gilchrist, Daniel S., 1872.
 Gordon, George A., D.D., 1885, 1899, 1900.
 Gould, A. A., M.D., 1864.
 Grant, Robert, 1884.
 Gray, John C., LL.D., 1877.
 Green, Samuel A., M.D., 1868.
 Green, Samuel S., 1895.
 Greenough, William W., 1858, 1874, 1883, 1886.
 Grinnell, Charles E., 1874.
 Hale, Edward E., D.D., 1858.
 Hale, Mrs. George S., 1887, 1888.
 Hale, Moses L., 1862.
 Hale, Philip, 1893.
 Haskins, Rev. George F., 1865.
 Hassam, John T., 1885.
 Hayes, Hon. F. B., 1874.
 Haynes, Prof. Henry W., 1879.
 Haynes, Prof. Henry W., 1881, 1884.
 Hayward, George, M.D., 1863.
 Heard, John, Jr., 1888, 1889, 1891.
 Heard, John T., 1858.
 Hellier, Charles E., 1895.
 Hemenway, Alfred, 1898, 1899.
 Herford, Brooke, D.D., 1884.
 Herrick, Samuel E., D.D., 1888, 1889.
 Hersey, Miss Heloise E., 1895, 1896.
 Higginson, Francis L., 1899, 1900.
 Higginson, Thomas W., LL.D., 1883.
 Hill, Clement Hugh, 1880.
 Hillard, Hon. George S., 1853.
 Hillard, Hon. George S., 1873.
 Hills, Thomas, 1898, 1899.
 Hodges, Richard M., M.D., 1870.
 Holmes, Edward J., 1881, 1884.
 Holmes, Oliver W., M.D., 1858.
 Holmes, Oliver W., Jr., LL.D., 1882.
 Homans, Charles D., M.D., 1867.
 Homans, Mrs. Charles D., 1885, 1886, 1887.
 Homer, George, 1870.
 Homer, Peter T., 1857.
 Horton, Rev. Edward A., 1899, 1900.
 Hubbard, James M., 1891.
 Hubbard, William J., 1858.
 Hudson, John E., 1895, 1896.
 Hunnewell, James F., 1880, 1893, 1894.
 Hutchins, Miss Emma, 1895, 1896.
 Hyde, George B., 1879.
 Irwin, Miss Agnes, 1894.
 Jeffries, B. Joy, M.D., 1869.
 Jeffries, William A., 1893.
 Jenkins, Charles E., 1879.
 Jenney, Bernard, 1901.
 Jewell, Hon. Harvey, 1863.
 Jewett, Miss Sarah Orne, 1900, 1901.
 Johnson, Rev. Robert F., 1900, 1901.
 Jordan, Eben D., 1878.
 Kellen, William V., 1901.
 Kidder, Henry P., 1870.
 Kimball, David P., 1874.
 Kimball, Henry H., 1885.
 Kirk, Edward N., D.D., 1859.
 Lawrence, Hon. Abbott, 1853.
 Lawrence, Abbott, 1859.
 Lawrence, Miss Harriette S., 1890.
 Lawrence, James, 1855.
 Lee, Miss Alice, 1889, 1890, 1891.

- Lee, Hon. John H., 1897, 1898.
Lewis, Weston, 1872, 1878.
 Lincoln, Hon. F. W., 1858.
 Lincoln, Hon. Solomon, 1886.
 Little, James L., 1864.
 Lombard, Prof. Josiah L., 1868.
 Loring, Hon. Charles G., 1855.
 Lothrop, Loring, 1866.
 Lowell, A. Lawrence, 1897, 1898.
 Lowell, Augustus, 1883.
 Lowell, Edward J., 1885.
 Lunt, Hon. George, 1874.
 Lyman, George H., M.D., 1885.
 McCleary, Samuel F., 1890.
 McNulty, Rev. John J., 1896, 1897.
 Manning, Rev. Jacob M., 1861.
 Mason, Rev. Charles, 1857.
 Mason, Miss Ellen F., 1898, 1899.
 Mason, Frank S., 1899, 1900.
 Mason, Robert M., 1869.
 Maxwell, J. Audley, 1883.
 Metcalf, Rev. Theodore A., 1888, 1889.
 Minns, Thomas, 1864.
 Minot, Francis, 1866.
 Morison, Miss Mary, 1892, 1893, 1895.
 Morrill, Charles J., 1885.
 Morrison, Dr. William A., 1901.
 Morse, John T., Jr., 1879.
 Morse, Robert M., Jr., 1878.
 Morton, Hon. Ellis W., 1871.
 Morton, Johnson, 1901.
 Mudge, Hon. E. R., 1871.
 Neale, Rollin H., D.D., 1853.
 Noble, John, 1882, 1899, 1900.
 Norcross, Otis, 1880.
 O'Brien, Hon. Hugh, 1879.
 O'Callaghan, John J., 1895.
 O'Reilly, John Boyle, 1878.
 Otis, G. A., 1860.
 Paddock, Rt. Rev. Benj. H., 1876.
 Parker, Charles Henry, 1888, 1889.
 Parker, William L., 1900, 1901.
 Parker, Mrs. William L., 1897, 1898.
 Parkman, Henry, 1885.
 Parks, Rev. Leighton, 1882, 1896, 1897.
 Perkins, Charles C., 1871.
 Perry, Thomas S., 1879, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1890, 1891.
 Phillips, John C., 1882.
 Phillips, Jonathan, 1854.
 Pierce, Hon. Henry L., 1891.
 Pingree, Miss Lalia B., 1894.
 Prescott, William H., LL.D., 1853.
 Prince, Hon. F. O., 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1895, 1896.
 Putnam, George, 1900, 1901.
 Putnam, George, D.D., 1870.
 Putnam, Hon. John P., 1865.
 Putnam, William L., 1898, 1899.
 Randall, Charles M., M.D., 1884.
 Reed, Henry R., 1899, 1900.
 Rice, Hon. Alexander H., 1860.
 Robbins, Elliott, M.D., 1893.
 Roberts, Rev. W. Dewees, 1899, 1900.
 Roche, James Jeffrey, 1898, 1899.
 Rogers, Prof. William B., 1861.
 Rollins, J. Wingate, 1888, 1889.
 Ropes, John C., LL.D., 1872.
 Rotch, Benjamin S., 1863.
 Runkle, Prof. J. D., 1882.
 Russell, Samuel H., 1880.
 Sampson, O. H., 1892, 1893.
 Sanger, Hon. George P., 1860.
 Searle, Charles P., 1898, 1899.
 Seaver, Edwin P., 1881.
 Shepard, Hon. Harvey N., 1888, 1889.
 Sherwin, Mrs. Thomas, 1893, 1894.
 Shurtleff, Hon. Nathaniel B., 1857.
 Smith, Azariah, 1895, 1896.
 Smith, Charles C., 1873.
 Smith, Mrs. Charles C., 1881, 1886.
 Smith, Miss Minna, 1892.
 Sowdon, A. J. C., 1892, 1893.
 Sprague, Charles J., 1859.
 Sprague, Mrs. Henry H., 1899, 1900.
 Sprague, Homer B., 1882.
 Stedman, C. Ellery, M.D., 1888.
 Stevens, Oliver, 1858.
 Stevenson, Hon. J. Thomas, 1856.
 Stockwell, S. N., 1861.
 Stone, Col. Henry, 1885, 1886, 1887.
 Story, Joseph, 1856.
 Sullivan, Richard, 1883, 1884.
 Teele, John O., 1886.
 Thaxter, Adam W., 1855.
 Thayer, Rev. George A., 1875.
 Thayer, Rev. Thomas B., 1862.
 Thomas, B. F., LL.D., 1875.
 Thomas, Seth J., 1856.
 Ticknor, Miss Anna E., 1891.
 Ticknor, George, LL.D., 1853, 1854, 1855, 1859, 1863, 1866.
 Tillinghast, Caleb B., 1895, 1896.
 Tobey, Hon. Edward S., 1862.
 Todd, William C., 1894.
 Turner, Miss Frances H., 1899, 1900.
 Twombly, A. S., D.D., 1883, 1884.
 Updike, D. B., 1900, 1901.
 Upham, J. B., M.D., 1865.
 Vibbert, Rev. George H., 1873.
 Wadlin, Horace G., 1899, 1900.
 Wales, George W., 1875.
 Walley, Hon. Samuel H., 1862.
 Ward, Rev. Julius H., 1882.
 Ware, Charles E., M.D., 1875.
 Ware, Darwin E., 1881.
 Ware, Mrs. Darwin E., 1899, 1900.
 Warner, Hermann J., 1867.

Warren, Hon. Charles H., 1859.	Williamson, William C., 1881.
Warren, J. Collins, M.D., 1878.	Williamson, Mrs. William C., 1897,
Waterston, Rev. Robert C., 1867.	1898.
Weissbein, Louis, 1893.	<i>Wilson, Elisha T., M.D., 1861.</i>
Wells, Mrs. Kate G., 1877.	<i>Winsor, Justin, LL.D., 1867.</i>
Wells, Samuel, 1900, 1901.	Winthrop, Hon. Robert C., 1854.
Wendell, Prof. Barrett, 1895, 1896.	Winthrop, Robert C., Jr., 1887.
Wharton, William F., 1886.	Wood, Frank, 1897, 1898.
<i>Whipple, Edwin P., 1869.</i>	Wood, Miss Maria E., 1900, 1901.
<i>Whitmore, William H., 1887.</i>	Woodbury, Charles Levi, 1871.
<i>Whitney, Daniel H., 1862.</i>	Woolson, Mrs. Abba Goold, 1888,
Whitney, Henry A., 1873.	1889.
Wightman, Hon. Joseph M., 1859.	Wright, Hon. Carroll D., 1884.
Williams, Harold, M.D., 1888, 1889,	
1890.	

APPENDIX X.

SCHEDULE OF LIBRARY SERVICE.

SUMMARY.

Central Library	176	Men	93	Women	83
Branches and reading-rooms . .	72	"	17	"	55
	<u>248</u>		<u>110</u>		<u>138</u>

Evening and Sunday service, Central Library, * 88.
 Sunday service, branches, 21.

Extra assistance is employed at the branches.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Whitney, James L. . . .	1869	Librarian.
Fleischner, Otto	1891	Ass't Librarian.
Nichols, Adelaide A. . . .	1868	Auditor.
Deery, Della Jean	1891	B. Special.
Learned, Lucie A. . . .	1891	B. "
†Mooney, George V. . . .	1889	B. "
McFarland, Peter V. . . .	1896	D.
**Bicknell, Margaret M. . . .	1896	C. Special.
McKenzie, Kenneth	1897	D.
Guinan, Thomas H. . . .	1901	Runner.

CATALOGUE DEPARTMENT.

Hunt, Edward B. . . .	1883	Chief.
¶ Swift, Lindsay	1878	A. Special.
Chevalier, Samuel A. . . .	1894	A. Special.
Murdoch, John	1896	A. "
Rollins, Mary H. . . .	1886	A.
Lane, Lucius P. . . .	1898	B. Special.
Rice, Edwin F. . . .	1885	B. "
Tenney, Mary A. . . .	1897	B. "
Forsyth, Walter G. . . .	1902	—
Gould, Ida W. . . .	1884	—
Hemmings, Anita F. . . .	1897	—

* Serving from three to seven evenings a week each. The total number of positions is 37, evenings; 43, Sundays.

** Auditor's Assistant. † Custodian of Stock-room. ¶ Editor Library Publications.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Bartlett, Mary R. . . .	1897	B.
Cutler, Dora L. . . .	1887	B.
Durand, Susan M. . . .	1900	B.
Leavitt, Luella K. . . .	1895	B.
Mackay, Susan H. . . .	1901	B.
Brennan, Thomas Francis . .	1890	C. Special.
Lilienthal, Flora N. . . .	1902	—
McSweeney, M. Agnes. . . .	1897	—
Dolan, Charles W. . . .	1894	D.

ORDERING DEPARTMENT.

Macurdy, Theodosia E. . . .	1889	Chief.
Seemüller, Mary	1899	B. Special.
Frinsdorff, Emily O. . . .	1894	B. “
Goddard, Mrs. Frances H. . .	1892	B.
Hutchins, Fernald	1896	B.
McGrath, Mary A. . . .	1868	B.
Keleher, Alice A. . . .	1891	—
Maiers, William C., Jr. . . .	1897	C.
Daly, Gertrude B. . . .	1901	D. Runner.
Ennis, William J. . . .	1900	D. Runner.

SHELF DEPARTMENT.

Roffe, William G. T. . . .	1881	A. Div. 2.
Locke, John F. . . .	1894	B. Special.
Richmond, Bertha P. . . .	1895	B.
Connor, George H. . . .	1891	C. Special.
Eberhart, John	1894	C. “
Reardon, John H. . . .	1896	C. “
Muckensturm, Matthew . . .	1899	—
Caiger, Eliza F. A. . . .	1895	D.
Conroy, Michael J. . . .	1897	D.
Lucid, John F. . . .	1893	D.
Schnabel, Paul J. . . .	1898	D.
Hennessey, Alice M. . . .	1901	D. Runner.

BATES HALL.

Bierstadt, Oscar A. . . .	1899	Custodian.
* Blaisdell, Frank C. . . .	1876	A. Special.
Doyle, Agnes C. . . .	1885	B. Special.
Buckley, Pierce E. . . .	1891	B.
McCarthy, Michael, Jr. . . .	1892	C. Special.
Ward, Joseph W. . . .	1891	C. “
Plunkett, Albert J. . . .	1895	D. “
Hannigan, Frank J. . . .	1898	D.
Rosenberg, Morris J. . . .	1901	—

* In charge of Patent and Newspaper Departments.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

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Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Hogan, C. Thomas . . .	1899	D. Runner.
Sullivan, James L. . . .	1902	—

SPECIAL LIBRARIES.

Hitchcock, Grace A. . . .	1895	B. Special.
Barton, Marguerite . . .	1900	B.
Chamberlain, Mrs. Marion L. . .	1897	B.
Keller, Helen Rex	1901	—
Cassidy, Margaret L. . . .	1895	D. Special.
Kelly, Charlotte H. . . .	1895	D. “
Doyle, Charles A.	1899	D.
Clarke, Harold	1900	D. Runner.
Doyle, James L.	1900	D. “
Meehan, Michael J.	1901	—
Barbour, Joseph H. D. . . .	1901	—

DOCUMENTS DEPARTMENT.

Ford, Worthington C. . . .	1898	Chief.
Wheeler, Horace L.	1900	B.
Cutting, Grace M.	1899	C. Special.

PERIODICAL ROOM.

Wendté, Frederika	1895	B.
Mulloney, William J. . . .	1892	D. Special.
Collins, John T.	1901	E.

NEWSPAPER ROOM.

Serex, Frederic	1895	B.
Keenan, Matthew T.	1896	D. Special.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

McGuffey, Margaret D. . . .	1895	Chief.
Sheridan, Mary C.	1881	—
Jordan, Alice M.	1900	B.
Cufflin, M. Florence	1892	C. Special.
Richards, Florence F. . . .	1875	C.
Shumway, Marion H.	1895	C.
Cunniff, Nellie L.	1895	D. Special.
Dowling, S. Jennie	1895	D. Special.
Murphy, Annie G.	1888	D. “
Reynolds, Mary A.	1894	D. “
Schulz, Henry A. C.	1898	D. “
Weichmann, Catherine A. . .	1895	D. “
Williams, Grace	1895	D. “
Zaugg, Joanna	1895	D. “
Beck, Ernest M.	1900	D.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Connolly, Nellie L. . . .	1895	D.
Gorman, John E. . . .	1895	D.
Hagerty, Mary E. . . .	1897	D.
Olson, Alphild	1895	D.
Olson, Bertha A. . . .	1895	D.
Quinlan, George H. . . .	1901	D.
Shaughnessy, Mary A. . . .	1897	D.
Stetson, Nina M. . . .	1896	D.
Barry, Margaret M. . . .	1897	D. Runner.
Bryce, Jean M. . . .	1898	D. "
Cole, Grace E. . . .	1897	D. "
Connor, Lillian L. . . .	1900	D. "
Day, Josephine E. . . .	1899	D. "
Gorman, Annie L. . . .	1899	D. "
Kolsky, Joseph	1900	D. "
Perham, Lucy	1900	D. "
Reid, Georgina I. . . .	1900	D. "
Williams, Eleanor M. . . .	1899	D. "
Dixon, Robert F. . . .	1902	—
Sullivan, Mary M. . . .	1902	—

ISSUE DEPARTMENT. CHILDREN'S ROOM.

* Sheffield, Mrs. Gertrude P. . . .	1896	B. Special.
Daly, Margaret C. . . .	1895	D. "
Ethier, Lillian E. . . .	1895	D. "
Hersey, Edna M. . . .	1898	D.

REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

Keenan, John J. . . .	1885	B. Special.
Murray, Ella K. . . .	1886	C.
Shelton, Richard B. . . .	1895	D. Special.
Fillebrown, Emily F. . . .	1895	D.

PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

Name.	Entered.	Position.
Lee, Francis W. . . .	1894	Chief.
Geyer, Willfried H. . . .	1896	Pressman.
Land, Annie F. . . .	1896	Compositor.
O'Keefe, Charles J. . . .	1899	Job pressman.

BINDERY.

Ryder, Frank	1883	Foreman.
Collins, Dennis J. . . .	1887	Finisher.
Conolly, John L. . . .	1900	Forwarder.

* In charge.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

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Name.	Entered.	Position.
Fuerst, Alexander . . .	1896	Forwarder.
Hoeffner, George . . .	1891	"
Ivory, John W. . . .	1893	"
Löfström, Konrad A. . .	1892	"
Murphy, John F. . . .	1883	"
Ochs, Alfred G. . . .	1900	"
Sullivan, J. Henry . . .	1898	"
Hemstedt, William P. . .	1883	Pressman.
Cellarius, Theodore W. .	1892	Apprentice.
Doiron, Joanna	1896	Sewer.
Doyle, Carrie	1900	"
Kiley, Margaret J. . . .	1889	"
Moriarty, Mary G. . . .	1875	"
Nolen, Sarah	1891	"
Potts, Ellen F. . . .	1892	"
Soule, Ellen E. . . .	1891	"

ENGINEER AND JANITOR DEPARTMENT.

Niederauer, Henry . . .	1894	Chief Engineer.
McCreedy, Alexander . .	1895	Engineer.
Malone, John P. . . .	1895	"
O'Neill, Harry	1896	"
Zittel, George, Jr. . . .	1891	"
Herland, Nils J. . . .	1895	Fireman.
Moran, John A. . . .	1894	"
Karlson, Charles W. . .	1896	Book Motors.
Williams, John L. . . .	1886	Janitor.
Frye, Henry W. . . .	1898	"
Kelley, James J. . . .	1900	"
McCarty, Dennis	1888	Watchman.
McGee, Alexander D. . .	1896	Painter.
Lawrence, John A. . . .	1898	Carpenter.
Hanna, William T. . . .	1895	Marble polisher.
Cole, William E. . . .	1898	Elevator and Coat- room attendants.
Lufkin, Ernest S. . . .	1901	

BRANCH DEPARTMENT.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Ward, Langdon L. . . .	1896	Supervisor of Branches and Stations.
Kueffner, Cecilia W. . .	1898	B.
Stevens, Alice V. . . .	1899	B.
Heimann, Otto A. . . .	1890	C. Special.
Morse, Maud M. . . .	1877	C. "
Bollig, Emma	1898	C.
Kiernan, Letitia M. . .	1895	C.
McCarthy, Marion A. . .	1895	D. "
Maier, Joseph A. . . .	1892	D. "
Brown, Richard	1898	D.
Fazakas, Chester A. S. .	1901	—

EAST BOSTON BRANCH.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Walkley, Ellen O. . . .	1897	Custodian.
Brackett, Marion W. . . .	1897	C.
Wing, Alice M. . . .	1873	C.
Bickford, Lillian A. . . .	1891	D.
Matthews, Everett F. . . .	1900	Janitor.
Taylor, Charles F. . . .	1897	"

SOUTH BOSTON BRANCH.

Robinson, Alice M. . . .	1902	Custodian.
Eaton, Ellen A. . . .	1873	C.
Sampson, Idalene L. . . .	1878	C.
McQuarrie, Annie C. . . .	1894	D.
Orcutt, Alice B. . . .	1887	D.
Baker, Joseph	1872	Janitor.

ROXBURY BRANCH.

Bell, Helen M. . . .	1878	Custodian.
Berry, Martha L. C. . . .	1883	C.
Puffer, Dorothy	1878	C.
Griggs, Sarah W. . . .	1886	D.
Lynch, Gertrude A. . . .	1894	D.
Monahan, William	1883	Janitor.

CHARLESTOWN BRANCH.

Cartée, Elizabeth F. . . .	1886	Custodian.
Livermore, Mrs. Susan E. . . .	1885	C.
Reagen, Elizabeth R. . . .	1895	C.
Donovan, Annie M. . . .	1899	D.
O'Neill, Margaret M. . . .	1892	D.
Rogan, Katharine S. . . .	1896	D.
Smith, Thomas E. . . .	1874	Janitor.

BRIGHTON BRANCH.

Hall, Belle S. . . .	1902	Custodian.
Conley, Ellen F. . . .	1891	C.
Dale, M. Florence	1895	C.
Warren, Edward A. . . .	1898	Janitor.

DORCHESTER BRANCH.

Reed, Mrs. Elizabeth T. . . .	1873	Custodian.
Griffith, Mary E. . . .	1886	C.
Donovan, Mary G. . . .	1891	C.
Brick, Mary L. . . .	1899	D.
Kellogg, Grace E. . . .	1898	D.
Halligan, John F. . . .	1902	Janitor.

SOUTH END BRANCH.

Name.	Entered.	Grade.
Sheridan, Margaret A. . . .	1875	Custodian.
McKirdy, Alice E. . . .	1896	C.
Lynch, Emma F. . . .	1885	C.
Meehan, Margaret F. . . .	1893	D.
Driscoll, James S. . . .	1901	Runner.

JAMAICA PLAIN BRANCH.

Swain, Mary P. . . .	1877	Custodian.
Riley, Nellie F. . . .	1878	C.
Albert, Katie F. . . .	1892	C.
Kenney, Thomas H. . . .	1897	Janitor.

WEST END BRANCH.

Davis, Mrs. Eliza R. . . .	1877	Custodian.
Barton, Margaret S. . . .	1885	C.
Forbes, George W. . . .	1896	C.
Kiley, Mary E. . . .	1896	C.
Mooney, Katharine G. . . .	1885	C.
Millmeister, Rebecca . . .	1899	D.
Riley, Mary E. . . .	1891	D.
Kelly, William D. . . .	1898	D. Runner.
McKenna, Harry C. . . .	1900	D. "
Sullivan, Daniel J. . . .	1898	Janitor.

WEST ROXBURY BRANCH.

Morse, Carrie L. . . .	1890	Custodian.
Henderson, Irene E. . . .	1898	D. Runner.
Woods, Eugene B. . . .	1898	Janitor.

DELIVERY STATIONS.

Station.	Grade.
A. Lower Mills Reading Room....Hill, M. Addie.....	D. Special.
B. Roslindale Reading Room.....Murray, Grace L.....	D. Special.
	Stackpole, Freeland E.....Janitor
C. South End Reading Room.....	Cross, Laura M.
D. Mattapan Reading Room.....	Capewell, Mrs. Emma G., D. Special.
E. Neponset Delivery Station.....	Barnes, Charles D.
F. Mt. Bowdoin Reading Room....	Fairbrother, Mrs. Eliz. G., D. Special.
G. Allston Delivery Station.....	Howe, W. A. & Co.
H. Ashmont Delivery Station.....	Weymouth, Clara E.
J. Dorchester Sta. Delivery Sta....	Sexton, Mrs. Annie M.
K. Bird Street Delivery Station...	Morris, Daisy E.
L. No. Brighton Reading Room...	Muldoon, Katherine F... D. Special.
M. Crescent Ave. Delivery Station.	Smith Brothers.
N. Mt. Pleasant Delivery Station..	Witherell, Anna M..... D.
P. Broadway Extension Delivery Station.....	Stewart, Cora L..... D. Special.
	Fitch, John..... B.
Q. Upham's Corner Delivery Sta....	Rolland, Ezra N.
R. Warren St. Delivery Station....	Smith, H. De Forrest.

Station.	Grade.
S. Roxbury Crossing Delivery Sta. Yeaton, E. Christine....	D. Special.
T. Boylston Delivery Station.....	Peirce, George L.
U. Ward Nine Delivery Station....	McGrath, Amelia F.....C.
W. Industrial School Delivery Sta.	Guerrier, Edith.
Y. Andrew Square Reading Room.	Marshall, Jeanette M....D. Special.
	Buckner, Thomas.....Janitor.
Z. Orient Heights Reading Room.	McDougall, Helen M....D. Special.

EVENING AND SUNDAY SERVICE.

Central Library.

Bates Hall.— Officers in charge: Samuel A. Chevalier, Edward B. Hunt, Lindsay Swift. Assistants: Frank C. Blaisdell, John Murdoch, William G. T. Roffe, Edward Tiffany. Central desk: John H. Reardon, David L. Williams. Care of reference books: John E. Gorman, Frank J. Hannigan, Charles A. Hardy, Albert E. Heimann, Kenneth McKenzie. Collector of slips: Augustus F. McAloon, Lucius S. Hicks, James L. Doyle, Richard J. Haberlin, William J. Ennis, John F. Shaughnessy. Runners: Thomas H. Guinan, Ferdinand W. C. Haberstroh, Joseph Kolsky.

Issue Department.— Officers in charge: Frank C. Blaisdell, Pierce E. Buckley, Samuel A. Chevalier. Receiver of books: Fred W. Blaisdell, Thomas F. Brennan, George H. Connor, Michael McCarthy, Jr. Deliverers of books: Fred W. Blaisdell, John F. Conners, John H. Reardon. Care of indicator: Walter T. Hannigan. Assistants at indicator: Fred A. Beckford, Frank T. Sullivan, Otto E. Zaugg. Care of slips: Daniel J. Ford, Albert E. Heimann, Otto A. Heimann. Desk attendants: Daniel J. Ford, Frank J. Hannigan, William J. Mulloney. Care of tubes: John E. Gorman, John F. Lucid, Joseph A. Maier, William J. Mulloney. Care of carriers: Fred A. Beckford, Michael J. Conroy, John H. Glover, James A. Pitts. Book-case attendants: Charles W. Annable, Howard C. Blake, John H. Glover, Kenneth McKenzie, John A. Pearson. Runners: Howard C. Blake, Richard Brown, Edward E. Bruce, Henry W. Buhler, Charles D. Campbell, Timothy J. Conners, Maurice Ferber, Daniel J. Ford, John H. Glover, Ferdinand W. C. Haberstroh, Richard J. Haberlin, Charles A. Hardy, Albert E. Heimann, Lucius S. Hicks, Walter J. Lambert, John F. Lucid, James L. Maguinness, D. Clifford Martin, Michael J. Meehan, Matthew Muckensturm, Joseph A. Murphy, Max H. Newman, Morris J. Rosenberg, Paul J. Schnabel, Frank T. Sullivan, Nelson G. Trueman, Otto E. Zaugg. Children's Library attendants: Lillian E. Ethier, Charlotte H. Kelly, Maud M. Morse, Marion L. Owen, Joanna Zaugg. Extra attendants: William P. Hemstedt, Edwin F. A. Benson, Howard C. Blake, George H. Davis.

SPECIAL LIBRARIES.— *In charge of Barton Library:* Marion L. Chamberlain, Francis W. Lee, Edward Tiffany. Assistants:

James L. Doyle, Fernald Hutchins, John L. McKiernan, James A. Pitts, Waldo W. Weller. In charge Fine Arts Department: Frank A. Bourne, Marion L. Chamberlain, George Gibbs, Jr., Walter Rowlands. Assistants: Charles A. Doyle, John L. McKiernan, William C. Maiers. Extra assistants: Edwin F. A. Benson, Peter V. McFarland, Waldo W. Weller.

Newspaper Room. — Thomas F. Brennan, George H. Connor, Frank J. Hannigan, Kenneth McKenzie, Albert J. Plunkett. Newspaper files: Howard C. Blake, James L. Maguinness, Joseph A. Maier, Harry F. Mayer, Morris J. Rosenberg.

Patent Room. — Frederic Serex, Horace L. Wheeler.

Periodical Room. — John F. Connors, Albert J. Plunkett.

Registration Desk. — John J. Keenan, Matthew T. Keenan.

Replacement of Books. — John F. Lucid, Michael McCarthy, Jr., Joseph W. Ward.

SUNDAY SERVICE.

**Branch Libraries. November 1 to May 1.*

Brighton Branch, 2 to 10 P.M. — In charge: Lydia E. Stevenson, Ellen F. Conley; Assistant, Charles N. Cunningham. Janitor: Edward A. Warren.

Charlestown Branch, 2 to 10 P.M. — In charge: Alton W. Eldredge, Edwin L. Drowne. Janitor: Thomas Smith.

Dorchester Branch, 2 to 10 P.M. — In charge: Mrs. Elizabeth T. Reed, Mary E. Griffith, Mary G. Donovan, Mary L. Brick. Janitor: William J. Kennedy.

East Boston Branch, 2 to 10 P.M. — In charge: Robert J. Kiscock, Everett F. Matthews. Janitor: Charles F. Taylor.

Roxbury Branch, 2 to 10 P.M. — In charge: Sarah W. Griggs, Dorothy Puffer, Max W. Wolff; assistant, Gertrude L. Connell. Janitor: William Monahan.

South Boston Branch, 2 to 10 P.M. — In charge: Alice B. Orcutt, Joseph Baker. Janitor: Thomas Saunders.

Station C, 2 to 6 P.M., 7 to 9 P.M. — In charge: Alphild Olson.

Station P, 2 to 6 P.M., 7 to 9 P.M. — In charge: Max H. Newman.

Station S, 2 to 6 P.M., 7 to 9 P.M. — In charge: Mabel L. Harrington.

* With the exception of the West End Branch, which is open Sundays throughout the year. Here certain members of the regular week-day force serve Sundays, their compensation being for seven days per week.

APPENDIX XI.

DESCRIPTION OF THE ABBEY AND ELLIOTT DECORATIONS.

THE QUEST AND ACHIEVEMENT OF THE HOLY GRAIL.

[Paintings by Edwin A. Abbey, R.A.]

The Holy Grail was fabled to be the sacred vessel from which our Lord had eaten at the Last Supper, and into which (having purchased it from Pontius Pilate) Joseph of Arimathea had gathered the divine blood of His wounds. Its existence, its preservation, its miraculous virtues and properties were a cherished popular belief in the early ages of European Christianity; and in the folk-tales from which the twelfth century narrators, Walter Mapes in England, Chrétien de Troyes in France, and Wolfram von Eschenbach in Germany, drew their material, it was represented as guarded for ages in the Castle of the Grail by the descendants of the "rich man," to whom the body of Jesus had been surrendered, where it awaited the coming of the perfect knight, who alone should be worthy to have knowledge of it. This perfect knight is introduced to us in the romances of the Arthurian cycle, so largely devoted to the adventures of the various candidates for this most exalted of rewards. Incomparable were the properties of the Grail, the enjoyment of a revelation of which conveyed, among many privileges, the ability to live, and to cause others to live, indefinitely, without food, as well as the achievement of universal knowledge, and of invulnerability in battle.

This revelation was the proof and recompense of the highest knightly purity, the perfection constituting its possessor the type of the knightly character; so that the highest conceivable emprise for the Companions of the Round Table was to attain to such a consecration — to cause the transcendent vessel to be made manifest to them. The incarnation of the ideal knighthood in the group here exhibited is that stainless Sir Galahad, with whom — on different lines — Tennyson has touched the imagination of all readers.

The following is a restricted attempt to place before the visitor the meaning of each composition:

No. 1. — The child Galahad, the descendant, by his mother, of Joseph of Arimathea, is visited, among the nuns who bring

him up, by a dove bearing a golden censer and an angel carrying the Grail, the presence of which operates as sustenance to the infant. From the hands of the holy women the predestined boy passes into those of the subtle Gurnemanz, who instructs him in the knowledge of the things of the world, and in the duties and functions of the ideal knight. But before leaving the nuns he has performed his knightly vigil — has watched alone, till dawn, in the church.

No. 2. — This ordeal of the vigil terminates in his departure. Clothed in red, he is girt for going forth, while the nuns bring to him Sir Launcelot, who fastens on one of his spurs, and Sir Bors, who attaches the other.

No. 3. — The Arthurian Round Table and the curious fable of the Seat Perilous are here dealt with: the Seat Perilous — “perilous for good and ill” — in which no man has yet sat with safety, not even the fashioner himself, but into which, standing vacant while it awaits only a blameless occupant, the young Sir Galahad, knighted by Arthur, has sworn a vow to be worthy to take his place. The Companions of the Order are seated in Arthur’s hall, and every chair, save one, is filled. Suddenly the doors and windows close of themselves, the place becomes suffused with light, and Sir Galahad, robed in red (an emblematic color used throughout the series), is led in by an old man clothed in white, Joseph of Arimathea, who, according to one of the most artless features of the romance, has subsisted for centuries by the possession of the supreme relic. The young knight is thus installed in safety in the Seat Perilous, above which becomes visible the legend, “This is the seat of Galahad.”

No. 4. — The knights are about to go forth on their search for the Holy Grail, now formally instituted by King Arthur. They have heard Mass and are receiving the episcopal benediction, Sir Galahad always in red. Throughout this series he is the “bright boy-knight” of Tennyson, though not, as that poet represents him, “white-armored.”

No. 5. — Amfortas, the Fisher King, King of the Grail, as the legend has it, having been wounded several centuries before for taking up arms in the cause of unlawful love, lies under a spell, with all the inmates of the Castle of the Grail, into which the artist here introduces us. They are spiritually dead, and although the Grail often appears in their very midst, they cannot see it. From this strange perpetuation of ineffectual life they can none of them, women or men, priests, or soldiers, or courtiers, be liberated by death until the most blameless knight shall at last arrive. It will not be sufficient, however, that he simply penetrate into the castle: to the operation of the remedy is attached that condition which recurs so often in primitive romance, the asking of a question on which everything depends. Sir Galahad has reached his goal, but at the very goal his single slight taint of imperfection, begotten of the too worldly teaching of Gurnemanz, defeats his beneficent action. Before him passes the procession of the Grail, moving between the great fires and the trance-

smitten king, and gazing at it he tries to arrive, in his mind, at an interpretation of what it means. He sees the bearer of the Grail, the damsel with the Golden Dish (the prototype of whom was Herodias bearing the head of John the Baptist on a charger), the two knights with the Seven-branched Candlestick, and the knight holding aloft the Bleeding Spear. The duty resting upon him is to ask what these things denote; but, with the presumption of one who supposes himself to have imbibed all knowledge, he forbears, considering that he is competent to guess. But he pays for his silence, inasmuch as it forfeits for him the glory of redeeming from this paralysis of centuries the old monarch and his hollow-eyed Court, forever dying and never dead, whom he leaves folded in their dreadful doom. On his second visit, many years later, he is better inspired.

No. 6. — It is the morning after his visit to the Castle of the Grail. Awakening in the chamber to which he has been led the previous night Sir Galahad finds the castle deserted. Issuing forth, he sees his horse saddled and the drawbridge down. Thinking to find in the forest the inmates of the castle, he rides forth, but the drawbridge closes suddenly behind him; a wail of despair follows him, and voices mock him for having failed to ask the effectual Question.

He fares forward and presently meets three damsels; the first, the Loathly Damsel, is riding upon a pale mule with a golden bridle. This lady, once beautiful in form and features, is now noble still in form but hideous in feature, and she wears a red cloak, and a hood about her head, for she is bald; and in her arms is the head of a dead king, encircled with a gold crown. The second lady is riding in the manner of an esquire. The third is on her feet, dressed as a stripling, and in her hand is a scourge with which she drives the two riders. These damsels are under the spell of the Castle of the Grail. Against her will a magic power is used by the Loathly Damsel to tempt and destroy knights and kings. She, with her two companions, must continue to wander, doing deeds of wickedness, until the sinless Virgin Knight shall come to the castle and ask concerning the wonders he sees there. They now assail Sir Galahad with reproaches, cursing him for having failed on the previous day to ask the Question, which not only would have delivered them and the inmates of the castle, but would have restored peace and plenty to the land. The earth now must remain barren, and Sir Galahad, wandering forth again, is followed by the curses of the peasantry, while war rages throughout the land. He must encounter many adventures, suffer many sorrows, and many years must pass before he returns once more to the Castle of the Grail, where, having through all ordeals remained sinless, he will finally ask the Question which shall redeem the sin-stricken land.

No. 7. — Sir Galahad is here seen arriving at the gate of the Castle of the Maidens, where the seven Knights of Darkness, the seven Deadly Sins, have imprisoned a great company of maidens, the Virtues, in order to keep them from all contact with man.

It is Sir Galahad's mission to overcome Sin and redeem the world by setting free the Virtues, and he accordingly fights the seven knights till he overcomes them.

No. 8.—Having passed the outer gate of the castle, Sir Galahad encounters a monk, who blesses him and delivers up to him the keys of the castle.

No. 9.—Sir Galahad's entry into the castle is here shown. The imprisoned maidens have long been expecting him, for it had been prophesied that the perfect knight would come to deliver them. They welcome him with shy delight, putting out their hands to be kissed. Having accomplished this mission Sir Galahad passes on to other deeds.

No. 10.—Sir Galahad has become wedded to Blanchefleur, but, sacrificing his earthly love, he leaves her that he may continue the Quest. The wounded and sin-stricken Amfortas can be healed only by a Virgin Knight, and only by a Virgin Knight may achieve the Quest. A new-born knowledge has unsealed Sir Galahad's eyes, but with this knowledge is begotten the strength to overcome, and, renouncing finally every human desire, he resumes the Quest.

No. 11.—Having passed through many adventures, Sir Galahad has here returned to the Castle of the Grail. The procession of the Grail has once more passed before him, and this time, grown wise by knowledge and suffering, he asks the Question, and thereby heals Amfortas, cleanses him from sin, and allows the old king to die. The Angel bears away the Grail from the castle, and it is not seen again until the day when Sir Galahad achieves it at Sarras. Having now accomplished his great task he is guided by the spirit of the Grail toward the goal which shall crown his labors—the achievement of the Grail. He is directed toward the sea, to Solomon's Ship, which will bear him to Sarras, where he will be crowned king, and where the Grail itself will finally appear to him.

No. 12.—Sir Galahad, borne upon a white charger, and followed by the blessings of the people, is seen passing from the land, where peace and plenty once more reign.

No. 13.—Sir Galahad is here in Solomon's Ship, which he found waiting to carry him across the seas to Sarras. The Grail, borne by an angel, guides the ship. Sir Bors and Sir Percival follow him. Having sinned once, they can never see the Grail themselves, yet, having persevered faithfully in the Quest, they have acquired the right to accompany Sir Galahad and witness his achievement. Resting upon a cushion in the stern of the ship are three spindles made from the "Tree of Life"—one snow-white, one green, one blood-red. When Eve was driven from the Garden of Eden, she carried with her the branch which she had plucked from the "Tree of Life." The branch, when planted, grew to be a tree, with branches and leaves white, in token that Eve was a virgin when she planted it. When Cain was begotten, the tree turned green; and afterward, when Cain slew Abel, the tree turned red.

No. 14. — The city of Sarras.

No. 15. — Sir Galahad is now King of Sarras, and upon a hill he makes a Sacred Place, and builds a Golden Tree. Morning and evening he repairs thither, and from day to day he beautifies the tree, and, finally, when it is complete, Joseph of Arimathea (with a company of angels) appears with the Grail. As Sir Galahad gazes upon it, crown, sceptre and robe fall from him. He no longer needs them. He thanks God for having let him see that which tongue may not describe nor heart think. Having now beheld that which is the source of all life and knowledge and power, his spirit can no longer remain in the narrow confines of his body. The Grail itself is borne heavenward, and is never again seen on earth.

THE TRIUMPH OF TIME.

[Painting by John Elliott.]

The painting contains thirteen winged figures. The twelve female figures represent the Hours, and the one male figure Time. The Christian Centuries are typified by twenty horses, arranged in five rows of four each. In each row the two centre horses are side by side, and between these and the outer horses are two winged female figures representing Hours. On either side of the car in which is the figure of Time are the Hours of Life and Death. Seen from before the door of the Children's Room, the design begins in the neighborhood of the nearer left-hand corner, and describes a semi-circle, with a downward sweep over an effect of clouds, back to the left again, to a point about two-thirds across the canvas, and culminates in a disk—the sun—before which are the leading horse and the figure typifying the Twentieth Century. In the nearer right-hand corner is a crescent moon, with a full disk faintly showing. The decoration is divided in the centre by a beam, but, notwithstanding this division, the composition is consecutive.

APPENDIX XII.

GIVERS AND GIFTS.

Mr. Edward Edwards, at one time Librarian of the Manchester Free Library, in his "Memoirs of Libraries," published in 1859, says: "If we revert to the ordinary circumstances of Town Libraries, such as those which are now in course of formation in the United Kingdom, we shall find that it will not be safe to place any great reliance on the acquisition of books by gift."

Elsewhere he says: "In Boston there has been precisely that coöperation between corporate functionaries on the one hand, and independent citizens on the other, which is, I think, to be desiderated here."*

To this no doubt may be attributed the fact that since the establishment of the Library the flow of gifts, varying from a single volume to hundreds and thousands, has been ceaseless.

The following list of gifts has been prepared by the Chief of the Ordering and Receiving Department:

	1900-1.	1901-2.
Givers	2,450	2,359
Volumes	15,065	7,956
Numbers	12,109	30,308
Photographs, engravings, etc.	262	850
Newspaper subscriptions (gifts of the publishers)	97	101

The following gifts may be particularly mentioned:

Mrs. Lydia B. Attwood, through Messrs. James W. and Charles H. Bartlett, Executors, over 1,300 volumes, of which 700 are in the Japanese language. One curious work is a manuscript manual of Japanese Court Etiquette (Rei-Gi Rui-Ten) in 510 volumes, one of three copies, and perhaps the only one in the United States. The gift comprises also works in other languages relating to Japan, such as Siebert's *Nippon*, and Humbert's *Japon illustré*, and many prints and serials.

James M. Barnard, 150 volumes, including twenty volumes used by law students.

Josiah H. Benton, Jr., *A Confession and Protestation of the Faith of certain Christians in England*, by Henry Jacob, London, 1616. A typewritten copy made from the original in the British Museum by direction of Mr. Benton for this Library.

* Annual Report, Boston Public Library, 1867.

Boston Browning Society, twenty-six volumes for the Browning Collection.

Boston Philatelic Society, ninety-five volumes relating to postage stamps and other stamps.

Allen A. Brown, 168 volumes for the Music Collection. Through the kindness of Mr. B. F. Keith, Mr. Brown and an unnamed friend, seventeen full scores of the operas of Bellini, Meyerbeer, Rossini, Sullivan and Verdi have been secured for the Library by Lionel Mapleson of the Maurice Grau Opera Company. Of these Mr. Brown says:

"These scores were originally owned by Sir Michael Costa and were used by him at her Majesty's Theatre in London. At his death they came into the possession of Colonel J. H. Mapleson. As to their scarcity and value in such a collection as ours there can be no question. The greater part of them exists only in manuscripts. I know that for the loan of the "Carmen" alone they demand in Europe \$150 a night. The possession of this last lot of scores practically completes our list of all Meyerbeer's operas, all of Bellini that are given and all of Rossini that have ever had any marked success."

Chamberlain collection. That part of the collection of pictures and books (274 volumes) belonging to Judge Mellen Chamberlain, which was bequeathed to this Library, but retained at his house during his lifetime, has been brought to this building and placed in the same room with the Chamberlain manuscripts.

The Earl of Crawford and Balcarres, the continuation of Bibliotheca Lindesiana, Collations and Notes. Catalogue of English Newspapers, 1641-1646.

The German Patent Office, four volumes and 12,291 numbers of the Patentschriften.

Great Britain Patent Office, 118 volumes of Specifications and Drawings.

Augustus Hemenway. A Worlde of Wordes, or Most copious and exact Dictionarie in Italian and English, collected by John Florio. London, 1578. (Of interest to Shakespeare scholars.) Lyly, John, Euphues, the Anatomie of Wit. Black letter, London, 1617; Lyly, John, Euphues and his England. Black letter, London, 1617; Morse, Edward S., Catalogue of the Morse Collection of Japanese Pottery. Issued by the Museum of Fine Arts, 1901.

Thomas Wentworth Higginson, fifty-nine volumes for the Galatea Collection.

Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, through Mr. John Elliott, a signed copy, in the author's handwriting, of the Battle Hymn of the Republic.

Godfrey M. Hyams, 650 photographs, among them over 300 Egyptians views, selected by Mr. W. C. Lane, Librarian of Harvard College, while in Egypt; 150 views of American parks, and 200 colored photographs of views in the United States and on the continent of Europe, purchased with a view to aiding geographical study.

William V. Kellen, 400 photographs (known as the Woolley photographs) of early types, designed to supplement published examples. With references to an index of early printed books in the British Museum. One of an edition of sixty copies, and a valuable addition to the Library examples of specimens of early printing.

Mrs. John A. Lewis has given the following books for the John A. Lewis Collection: Mather, Cotton, Letter to ungospelized plantations: Composed at the desire and sent by the care of certain gentlemen of Boston, Boston, 1702; Mather, Moses, The visible church, in covenant with God, New York, 1769; Mather, Samuel, A funeral sermon for Mr. Nathaniel Collier, London, 1711; Mather, Samuel, A discourse concerning the necessity of believing the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, London, 1719; Pemberton, William, The godly merchant, or the great gaine, London, 1613; A copy of a letter from the Reverend Mr. Smith, Minister in Charlestowne, South Carolina, to the Reverend Mr. Cooper Minister in Boston, giving an Account of the State of the Orphan House in Georgia, Glasgow, 1743; Vindiciae Clavium Being some animadversions upon a tract of Mr. I. C. (John Cotton) called The Keyes of the Kingdoms of Heaven, London, 1645; Walter, Thomas, A choice dialogue between John Faustus, a conjurer, and Jack Tory his friend, Boston, 1720; Worshop, William, The Christian's mourning garment, Aaron's Bels, the Fisher, Earth raining upon Heaven, Foure sermons, London, 1615.

The Duc de Loubat (Fac-simile of), The Tonalamatl of the Aubin collection. An old Mexican picture manuscript in the Paris National Library. With introduction and explanatory text by Dr. Eduard Seler. Berlin and London, 1900-1901.

The Duc de Loubat (Fac-simile of), Codex Fejérvary-Mayer. Eine altmexikanische Bilderhandschrift der Free Public Museums in Liverpool. Erläutert von Dr. Eduard Seler, Berlin, 1901.

Miss Helen C. McCleary, 344 volumes of Boston and Massachusetts documents from the collection of the late Samuel F. McCleary.

Michael J. McEttrick, 179 volumes of state and national documents.

George C. Mann, 27 volumes, many of them early American imprints; 346 concert and theatre programmes, and over 500 serials.

Methodist Book Concern, 55 volumes of its publications.

Miss Susan Minns, 72 volumes of music, and the literature of music, including the first edition of the collected pieces of Rouget de Lisle. (Cinquante chants français paroles de différens auteurs. Mise en musique par Rouget de Lisle, Paris, 1825.) The volume is a folio, bound in three-quarters morocco and brocaded silk. This gift, contained also several volumes of music published in Boston and Salem about 1830.

New England Methodist Historical Society, through Willard S. Allen, Librarian, 155 volumes, of which 92 contain sermons

and addresses, and some 500 serials, many of them very scarce and needed in the Library files.

L. C. Page and Company, 53 volumes of their current publications.

Charles H. Wise, twenty-five subscriptions to current periodicals for the Roslindale Reading Room.

Yale College Library, a collection of material relating to the Yale Bi-centennial celebration.

1. WORKS OF ART.

(See page 7.)

2. MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS OF MONEY.

From Godfrey Michael Hyams, for the purchase of photographs, the sum of	\$108 60
From Andrew Carnegie, through Col. Thomas Wentworth Higginson, for the purchase of books for the Galatea Collection of books relating to the history of woman, the sum of	100 00
From Augustus Hemenway, for the purchase of books, the sum of	62 22

3. PHOTOGRAPHS, ENGRAVINGS, ETC.

Ames, Mrs. Frederick L.	17 Photographs.
Anonymous	11 Photographs.
Attwood, Mrs. Lydia B., Estate of,	1 Photograph, 1 engraving and 1 painting on silk.
Barnard, James M.	1 Photograph, 19 prints and 23 engravings.
Baxter, Sylvester	1 Photograph.
Boardman, William L. P.	4 Prints.
Cleaveland, Edwin A.	1 Photograph.
Coolidge, Miss Marie	1 Photograph.
Curtis & Cameron	2 Photographs.
Davis, Andrew McF.	35 Plates.
Fleischner, Dr. Ferdinand	14 Photographs.
Gay, Frederic L.	4 Engravings.
Gray, Samuel	1 Photograph.
Greenough, Charles P.	5 Photographs.
Hammond, Mrs. George W.	1 Drawing.
Hunnewell, Hollis H.	16 Photographs.
Hyams, Godfrey M.	642 Photographs, colored.
Iconographic Society	1 Etching.
Kellen, William V.	1 Portrait, 400 photographs.
Lane, Mrs. Jonathan A.	1 Photograph.
Lane, Lucius P.	2 Prints.
Lane, William Coolidge	1 Photograph.
Lee, Francis W.	3 Photographs.
Little, Brown & Co.	2 Photographs.

4. BOOKS, PERIODICALS AND NEWSPAPERS.

	Vols.	Nos.
Abbot Public Library, Marblehead		1
Aberdeen. Public Library		2
Abu-Khalil, Alex. 1901-02 subscription to Al-Alyam		
1901-02 subscription to Al-Musheer		
Academy of Natural Sciences		4
Academy of Science of St. Louis		8
Actors' Fund of the United States of America		1
Actuarial Society of America, New York City		1
Adadourian, Rev. Haig, Plymouth	1	
Adams, William F., Springfield 2 broadsides		
Adams Nervine Asylum		1
Advance, San Francisco 1901-02 subscription		
Aeltesten, Die, der Kaufmannschaft von Berlin		3
Aerztlicher Verein, Frankfurt-on-the-Main		1
Aguilar Free Library, New York City		2
Alabama. Governor	1	
Albany Medical College		1
— Alumni Association	1	
Albany Museum. Cape of Good Hope		1
Alcan, Félix, Paris		1
Alcuin Club, London		2
Alden, John E., Dedham	1	
Alden, Mrs. W. E., Quincy 1 broadside	23	24
Allegheny County Workhouse and Inebriate Asylum, Claremont, Pa.		1
Allen, Mrs. Charles A., Waverley	1	
Allen, Edward G., London	1	
Allen, James T. & Son, Philadelphia	1	
Allen, Walter S., New Bedford	2	
Allen, Willard S.	9	316
Altona, Germany. Handelskammer	2	
American Academy of Political and Social Science		1
American Antiquarian Society, Worcester	1	8
American Anti-Vivisection Society, Philadelphia	1	
American Art Association, New York City	1	
American Association for the Advancement of Physical Education	2	
American Association for the Advancement of Science	1	1
American Association to Promote the Teaching of Speech to the Deaf, Philadelphia		
American Baptist Home Mission Society, New York City	2	1
American Baptist Missionary Union	2	2
American Bar Association, Philadelphia	1	
American Bible Society, New York City	2	1

	Vols.	No.
American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions .		2
American Citizen 1901-02 subscription		
American Climatological Association, Philadelphia . .	1	
American Congregational Association		1
American Economic Association		1
American Federation of Labor, Washington	1	
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American Historical Association		2
American Humane Association		7
American Institute of Architects		4
American Institute of Electrical Engineers, New York City .		1
American Institute of Homœopathy, New York City .	1	
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APPENDIX XIII.

CHRONOLOGY OF THE LIBRARY. — 1841-1901.

- 1841-1847. Various preliminary movements made toward a City Library. In 1843 and 1847 books were received by the City from the City of Paris, through M. Vattemare.
1847. A joint Committee of the City Council on a Library first appointed. Josiah Quincy, Jr., while Mayor, offered to give \$5,000 for a Public Library, on condition that the citizens should add \$10,000. This offer was not met.
1848. March 12. Act of the Massachusetts General Court, authorizing the City of Boston to establish and maintain a Public Library. Accepted by the City, April 3.
Unsuccessful efforts to procure a union with the Athenæum Library.
1849. R. C. Winthrop gave the first books to begin the collection. J. D. W. Williams, S. A. Eliot, Dr. J. Mason Warren, Dr. J. B. McMahon, Ezra Weston and others also presented books.
1850. August 5. John P. Bigelow, while Mayor, gave \$1,000.
August 7. Edward Everett presented his set of Public Documents and State Papers of the United States, with other works, numbering upwards of 1,000 volumes.
1851. The City possessed 2,000 volumes.
1852. Edward Capen chosen Librarian.
May 24. First Board of Trustees constituted, with Edward Everett as President.
June 28. James Brown gave \$500.
June 30. The Trustees were requested by the City Council to report upon the objects to be attained by the establishment of a Public Library, and the best mode of effecting them.
July 6. In reply, the preliminary report of the Trustees was made, drawn up by George Ticknor and the President.
September 24. Samuel Appleton gave \$1,000.
October 1. Joshua Bates of London gave \$50,000, which was subsequently funded.
October 12. The first Library ordinance of the City Council passed.
1853. February. Authority given to purchase land.
March 5. James Nightingale gave \$100.
March 12. A new act of the General Court, extending the limit of expenditures.
Jonathan Phillips gave \$10,000; N. I. Bowditch gave the value of \$200; J. I. Bowditch gave \$300.

1854. March 20, May 2. Reading-room and Library opened in Mason street.
November 27. Ordinance appointing Commissioners to erect a building; R. C. Winthrop made Chairman.
First catalogue of the Library published.
Thomas G. Appleton gave a copy of Audubon's "Birds of America."
1855. Mrs. Sally I. K. Shepard gave \$1,000.
September 17. Corner-stone of the Library building on Boylston street laid.
1857. Act of March, 1853, so far changed that there was no enforced limit to the appropriations of the City for the Library. An additional ordinance created the office of Superintendent. Charles C. Jewett was appointed to that office.
1858. January 1. Library building dedicated. Addresses by B. C. Winthrop, Edward Everett, A. H. Rice, Mayor. Cost, with land, about \$365,000.
Mr. Bates's gift of books completed, amounting in value to \$50,000, making the total sum given by him \$100,000.
The sons of the late Nathaniel Bowditch gave their father's library of 2,550 volumes, besides manuscripts.
The Library began to receive the Specifications of the English patents, a gift from the British government.
June 30. Library in Mason street building closed.
July. The portrait of Benjamin Franklin, by Duplessis, presented by Hon. Edward Brooks.
August 17. A figure in marble, the Arcadian Shepherd Boy, by W. W. Story, given by several citizens.
September 17. The Reading-room opened in the building on Boylston street.
December 20. The Lower Hall Library opened, with the printed Index to the books in that collection.
1859. Under the will of Abbott Lawrence, \$10,000 was received.
Copley's picture of Charles the First, demanding the impeached members, given by citizens of Boston.
1860. Theodore Parker's Library, containing 11,061 volumes, received under the provisions of his will; in May, 1881, some 2,000 volumes, and a bust of Theodore Parker, by W. W. Story, received from the estate of Mrs. Parker.
George Ticknor presented a collection of Greek, Latin and Italian classics, and later a collection of books relating to Molière. His total donations up to this time upwards of 3,000 volumes.
1861. April. A further sum of \$20,000 received under the will of Jonathan Phillips.
The Upper Hall, containing over 74,000 volumes, opened to the public, and its first printed Index of books published. The entire Library contained 97,386 volumes.
June. By the will of Miss Mary P. Townsend, \$4,000 was received.
1863. The City Council modified the ordinance relating to the Public Library.
June. The Trustees of the Franklin Club gave \$1,000.

1864. September 24. Joshua Bates died. The Upper Hall, it is ordered, October 13, shall henceforth be called Bates Hall.
 Mr. Ticknor gave a collection of Provençal books.
 December. Gift of original paroles signed by Generals Burgoyne and Riedesel.
1865. January 17. Edward Everett, President of the Board of Trustees, died; succeeded by Mr. Ticknor.
 March. Portrait of Joshua Bates, by Eden W. Ennis, and bust copied from original by William Behnes, presented by Mr. Bates's daughter.
 March 7. Gift of \$100 from J. L. Stoddart.
 July 21. Group in marble of Holy Family, by Julius Troschel, presented by Gardner Brewer.
1866. The Prince Library, bequeathed by the Rev. Thomas Prince, 1758, to the Old South Church, received on deposit.
 The Supplemental Index of the Bates Hall published.
 The Ledger system for recording loans displaced by the Slip system.
 Donation of \$160 received through Hon. John P. Bigelow.
 May. The silver vase presented to Daniel Webster in 1835, received from various citizens.
 June 22. Mr. Ticknor resigned the presidency; succeeded, July 24, by William W. Greenough.
 September. The printing of Finding Lists for the Lower Hall begun.
 December. A new ordinance reorganizing the Board of Trustees.
1867. May 16. Bust of Edward Everett, by Thomas Ball, presented by subscribers.
 August. Bust of J. Lothrop Motley, by Richard S. Greenough, given by Thomas B. Curtis.
 October. The first number of the Library Bulletin issued.
1868. January 9. Mr. Jewett, the Superintendent, died.
 February 25. Justin Winsor chosen Superintendent.
 August. Bust of George Ticknor, by Martin Millmore, presented by several citizens.
 November. William E. Jillson, the Assistant Superintendent, died. William A. Wheeler was appointed in his place.
1869. Annual closing of the Library for examination dispensed with.
 A new ordinance, reorganizing the Board of Trustees, changing the beginning of the Library year to May 1st, and authorizing the establishment of Branch libraries.
 Gift of an antique bust from Signor Alessandro Ceccarini.
 Bindery opened in the building.
 October. The Tosti engravings given by Thomas G. Appleton.
1870. The Reading-room of the East Boston Branch Library opened; and in January, 1871, delivery of books began. The Catalogue was issued March 3d, and the formal dedication of the Library took place March 22d. The Sumner library association gave its collection of books to this Branch Library.
 Portrait of Edward Everett by J. Harvey Young given by citizens of Boston.
 November. 285 volumes and 2,259 pamphlets of Rev. Dr. William E. Channing presented by his children.

1871. April. The Spanish and Portuguese library, bequeathed by George Ticknor, was received at the Library, numbering nearly 4,000 volumes; also a fund of \$4,000, for its increase.
October. A printed Card catalogue of the Bates Hall established.
1872. An agreement made with the Trustees of the Fellows Athenæum, securing their co-operation in the founding of a Branch library at Roxbury, and a building for the use of it begun.
Alterations made in the Bates Hall, by which the lateral alcoves are subdivided and lighted.
The South Boston Branch Library opened with 4,400 volumes, and dedicated May 16th. The Mattapan literary association gave its collection of books, numbering 1,470 volumes, to this Branch Library.
March. Gift of a portrait of Benjamin Franklin by Jean Baptiste Greuze, from Gardner Brewer.
Gift from John G. Loring of oil painting by (Robert?) Salmon, representing a fire in the Old State House, Boston, in November, 1832.
1873. May. The Barton Library received.
June. Additional precautions taken to render the Library building safe against fire.
July. The Roxbury Branch building dedicated, and the Library opened with 5,700 volumes.
August. The Lower Hall Catalogue of History, Biography, and Travel published. The first catalogue with notes.
December. Gift of \$5,000 from Henry L. Pierce.
1874. January. The Public Libraries of Charlestown (15,000 volumes) and Brighton (11,000 volumes) became Branches by the annexation of those places to Boston.
Addition made to the south-west corner of the Central Library building.
August. The new building of the Brighton Branch Library was opened for use.
The apartments of the Charlestown Branch Library were enlarged.
Portrait of Charles Sumner by M. Wight presented to city by F. D. Huntington and others.
October. William A. Wheeler, the Assistant Superintendent, died, and was succeeded by James L. Whitney.
Edward Capen resigned as Librarian.
1875. January 16. Dedication of the Dorchester Branch Library. The Library (nearly 4,000 volumes) opened to the public, January 25. A Delivery of the same Branch established at the Lower Mills. The Dorchester and Milton Library gave its collection of books, numbering 1,922 volumes, to this Branch Library.
1876. March. The gold medal presented to Gen. Washington by Congress in commemoration of the evacuation of Boston by the British troops, given to the City, to be preserved in the Library.
April. A new exterior gallery built at rear end of the Central Library Building.
Gift of Manuscript of Webster's Reply to Hayne, from Hon. R. C. Winthrop and others.

- June. A Delivery Station of the Roxbury Branch opened at Jamaica Plain.
1877. February. Bequest from Benjamin P. Hunt, of Philadelphia, of a collection of books relating to the West Indies.
- May. The Boston Mercantile Library Association gave its collection of 18,000 volumes.
- August. By the will of Miss Charlotte Harris, the Charlestown Branch Library received a fund of \$10,000, the testator's private library of over 1,100 volumes, and a portrait of Richard Devens.
- Bequest of over 800 volumes of illustrated books from Miss Eliza Mary Thayer, of Roxbury. Supplemented at subsequent times by gifts of similar works from her sisters, Mrs. R. Anne Nichols, Mrs. Susan Thayer Balch, and Miss Caroline C. Thayer. A list of this collection published in 1895.
- August. The South End Branch Library opened to the public.
- September. The Jamaica Plain Branch Library opened to the public.
- October 1. Justin Winsor resigned the office of Superintendent, and Dr. Samuel A. Green, one of the Trustees, was placed in charge of the Library.
1878. April 4. The Trustees were made a corporation under the name of the Trustees of the Public Library of the City of Boston.
- April 12. The corporation organized by the choice of William W. Greenough as President, and Dr. Samuel A. Green as Clerk.
- May 14. Dr. Green was chosen Acting Librarian, and held the office until October 1, 1878.
- August 26. Mellen Chamberlain was elected Librarian, and entered upon his office October 1.
- November 23. Dr. Samuel A. Green gave \$1,000, the income of which is to be applied to the purchase of books upon American history; in 1880 he gave \$500 under the same conditions, and in 1884, \$500.
- December 3. A Delivery Station of the Jamaica Plain Branch Library opened at Roslindale.
- December 16. Gift from George B. Chase of \$200 for purchasing periodicals; in 1879 he gave the chair and table formerly belonging to Sir Anthony Panizzi, Librarian of the British Museum.
1879. Catalogue of the works of Shakespeare, in the Barton collection, printed. A year later the second part, containing the titles of works about Shakespeare, was published.
- Catalogue of the East Boston and South Boston Branch Libraries published.
- April. The Franklin Club gave Roberts' Egypt and Nubia, and his Holy Land.
- July. Catalogue of the Ticknor collection of Spanish and Portuguese books published.
- December. Dr. Samuel A. Green gave a collection of Benjamin Franklin books, pamphlets, and engravings.
1880. January 6. The West Roxbury Free Library transferred to the Boston Public Library its collection of books, numbering 3,068 volumes, and a Delivery Station was opened at West Roxbury.

- April. The General Court, by an act approved April 22, gives to the City a parcel of land, situated on the southerly corner of Dartmouth street and Boylston street, on condition that a building for a library should be begun in the course of three years, which time was extended in 1883 for a further term of the same duration.
1881. July. The South End Branch Library was moved into the English High School Building on Montgomery street.
- July. Bust of John G. Whittier, by Preston Powers, given by citizens of Boston.
- December 1. The Committee on the Public Library was authorized by the City Government to consult the Trustees concerning a new Library building.
- December. A Delivery Station of the Public Library (Dorchester Branch) was opened at Mattapan.
- Bowditch Library card catalogue completed.
1882. March 9. The Trustees were requested by the City Council to report on the fitness of the High and Latin School building for the purposes of the Public Library. The Trustees reported that this building is unfit for the uses of the Public Library.
- April 10. On petition of the City Council, the Legislature passed a bill authorizing the City of Boston to take for the Public Library the necessary land belonging to private parties adjoining the land granted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- May. Gift of \$100 from Charles Mead for South Boston Branch.
- October. A Reading-room and Delivery Station was opened in the Hancock school-house, on Parmenter street, at the North End.
1883. January. A Delivery Station of the Public Library (Dorchester Branch) was opened at Neponset.
- April 12. The Common Council, concurring with the Aldermen, appropriated the sum of \$180,000 for the purchase of additional land, adjoining that granted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the sum of \$450,000 for the erection of a building thereon, fronting on Copley square.
- April 21. The City of Boston took formal possession of the land given by the Commonwealth, and also of the estates on St. James avenue (later Blagden street).
- December. By the will of the late Arthur Scholfield of New York, formerly of Boston, the Library received the sum of \$50,000, the income to be paid certain parties during their lives.
1884. April. By the will of the late Thomas B. Harris of Charlestown, the Charlestown Branch Library received the sum of \$1,000.
- August 1. Twenty competitive plans for the proposed new building received by the Trustees; \$10,000 in premiums paid.
- Reading-rooms established at the Brighton, Dorchester and Jamaica Plain Branch Libraries, and at the Lower Mills Delivery Station at Dorchester.
- Fourteen folio volumes of illustrations of the parks and public works of the City of Paris given by the Municipal Council of that city.
- The City Council appropriated \$1,000 for the purchase of historical works in fine binding, relating to Boston, and these were sent to the Municipal Council of Paris.

1885. January. Bust of Thomas Gold Appleton given by Capt. Nathan Appleton and others.
March 30. The City Government directed that the City Architect prepare the plans for the new building and submit them to the Trustees of the Public Library for their approval.
May. Bust of Cervantes by Antonio Solá received from heirs of George Ticknor.
Legacy from the estate of Daniel Treadwell, formerly Rumford Professor in Harvard College. Amount, with latter additions, about \$10,700.
May. Legacy of \$500 from the estate of Hon. Edward Lawrence, for the Charlestown Branch Library.
December. Bronze statuette of Daniel Webster bequeathed by Hon. Joseph M. Wightman.
1886. The Roxbury Athenæum Library purchased by the Trustees of the Fellowes Athenæum.
November 1. Delivery Station opened at Mt. Bowdoin. The North End Library removed to the building on the corner of North Bennet and Salem streets.
1887. March 10. An act was passed by the General Court giving the Trustees full power and control of the design, construction, erection, and maintenance of the new building, and authority to select and employ an architect.
March 30. The Trustees contracted with Messrs. McKim, Mead, and White, to design and supervise the construction of the new building, and the plans, as prepared by the architects, were at a later period approved by the Trustees.
1888. Plans for the new building submitted by the Trustees to the City Council, and placed on exhibition, together with a model in plaster, in the rooms of the Bostonian Society at the Old State House.
May 7. The City Council authorized the Trustees to begin the erection of the building.
The Trustees were requested by the City Council to report to the City Government the cost and advisability of keeping Bates Hall open in the evening. An order passed to provide for the expense of the same.
April 2. Resignation of William W. Greenough, a Trustee of the Library for thirty-two years, and President for twenty-two years.
May 12. Samuel A. B. Abbott was chosen President of the Trustees.
August 1. Contract made with Messrs. Woodbury and Leighton for the building of the basement and first floor of the new Library building within one year, and, later, contract made with the same parties for continuing the building.
November. Gift of bronze bust of Mayor O'Brien, by Donoghue, from M. M. Cuniff.
November 2. Death of William H. Foster, a member of the Catalogue Department for nearly thirty years.
November 28. The corner-stone laid of the new Library building on Copley square, with addresses at the New Old South Church by Hon. Frederick O. Prince and Mayor Hugh O'Brien, and a poem by Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes.
The Barton catalogue (Miscellaneous portion) published.

1889. March 1. Act of the Legislature authorizing the City of Boston to incur indebtedness to the amount of one million dollars outside of the debt limit to complete its new Public Library building.
- March 11. The City Treasurer authorized to issue bonds or certificates of indebtedness to an amount not exceeding one million dollars outside of the limit of indebtedness fixed by law for the city, the proceeds from the same to be used for the completion of the new Library building.
- Electric lighting introduced into the Central Library building.
- March 11. Delivery station opened at Allston.
- The late J. Ingersoll Bowditch bequeathed \$10,000 to the Library, the income from the same to be applied to the increase of the Bowditch Library. Since 1877, Mr. Bowditch gave yearly the sum of \$500 for the same purpose.
- December 16. Bates Hall open until 9 P.M., and (February 2, 1890) from 2 until 9 P.M. Sundays.
- December. The Library received from Mrs. John G. Gilbert eleven hundred volumes and pamphlets, chiefly dramatical works, which belonged to her late husband.
- The Board of Health began to report cases of contagious diseases, in order that books and cards may be destroyed or disinfected.
1890. April. Bequest of the late Joseph Scholfield, of \$11,766.77, the same being the income from the bequest of \$50,000, made in 1883, by the late Arthur Scholfield.
- A collection of rare books on America purchased by the city for the Library, the same being a part of the library of the late Samuel L. M. Barlow.
- May. The John A. Lewis Library of early printed books on America, given to the Library by Mrs. Lewis. Number of volumes about six hundred. A catalogue was published two years later.
- Hand-book for Readers in the Boston Public Library published, 9th edition, containing 388 pages.
- July 26. Delivery station opened at Ashmont (Station H).
- September 30. Mellen Chamberlain, Librarian, resigned.
- November 12. Delivery station opened at Dorchester Station (Station J).
- December. The city was empowered to borrow the necessary money to complete the new Library building.
- Gift from the Second and Twentieth Massachusetts Infantry Associations of two sitting lions, done in Siena marble, the work of Louis St. Gaudens.
1891. October 24. Appropriation of \$1,000,000 authorized by the City Council for the completion of the new Library building.
- Gift from the Republic of Mexico of a copy of Peñañel's "Monumentos del arte mexicano antiguo," through President Diaz.
1892. January 22. Bird-street Delivery Station (Station K) opened.
- February. A collection of works relating to the American Civil War from the library of the late Gen. F. W. Palfrey, given by Mrs. Palfrey as a nucleus for the Twentieth Regiment library.
- April 13. Theodore F. Dwight appointed Librarian.
- April 29. Mt. Pleasant Delivery Station (Station N) opened.
- May 9. North Brighton Reading Room (Station L) opened.

- June 25. Crescent Avenue Delivery Station (Station M) opened. A new edition of the Lower Hall Catalogue of History, Biography, and Travel was published; also a Finding List of French Fiction.
1893. June 16. Mr. William C. Todd of Atkinson, N. H., offered to pay \$2,000 annually to be expended for newspapers, and, sooner or later, to give a fund of \$50,000, to secure forever this annual payment. (See Annual Report, 1893, p. 6.) The principal sum of \$50,000 he gave October, 1897.
- September 4. The collection of historical documents, manuscripts, autographs, books, and portraits of Mellen Chamberlain received for deposit, in accordance with his offer of February 4, 1893. (See Annual Report, 1893, p. 5.) By the provision of his will the collection became the property of the Library in 1900.
- November 29. The private library of President John Adams placed on deposit in the Boston Public Library by the Supervisors of the Adams Temple and School Fund, Quincy, Massachusetts.
1894. January 12. Portrait of Joshua Bates presented by Mr. S. G. Ward.
- April. Linotype printing machines adopted by the Library.
- April 30. Resignation of Theodore F. Dwight, Librarian.
- July 6. Gift of oil painting, Saints Justa and Rufina, by Domingo Fernandez, from Miss Ellen Chase.
- August 13. Mr. Allen A. Brown offered his library of music. In November, 1897, the collection, comprising over 30,000 different publications, bound in some 8,000 volumes, was made available for the public. (See Annual Report, 1894, and Bulletin, December, 1897.)
- November. Catalogue of books relating to Architecture published.
- December 14. Removal of the main body of books to the building on Copley square begun; finished, January 28, 1895. Some of the smaller collections were moved during the autumn previous.
- The old West Church, corner of Cambridge and Lynde streets, bought by the city, and placed in the control of the Trustees of the Library.
- December 16. The West Church Parish Library given through Mr. Thomas Gaffield to the newly established West End Branch Library.
1895. January. Special appropriation of \$12,000 for moving books to the Copley square building.
- January 11. The sum of \$1,000 given in memory of Charles G. Loring by his family.
- January 24. Boylston-street building closed, four days before the removal to the new building was completed.
- February. Gift from Horatio S. Greenough of busts of Christ and Lucifer by Horatio Greenough.
- February 11. Herbert Putnam appointed Librarian.
- March 11. New building on Copley square opened for use.
- March 26. A system of graded service, based upon examinations, established.
- May. Children's Room opened at the Central Library.

May. Retirement of Samuel A. B. Abbott, President, from the Board of Trustees; succeeded as President by Hon. F. O. Prince, October 8.

October 20. Extension of Library hours from 9 P.M. to 10 P.M.; after the removal to the new building, in April, departments hitherto closed to the public on Sundays were opened.

Conferences held between committees representing the School Committee and the Library Trustees, as to a possible further coöperation between the Public Library and the schools.

The sum of \$15,000 contributed by subscription by citizens of Boston for completing the paintings by John S. Sargent.

A bronze statue of Sir Harry Vane, by MacMonnies, given by Dr. Charles G. Weld and others.

A marble copy of the Venus de Medici given by Mrs. John Ellerton Lodge.

A bust of William W. Greenough, by Richard S. Greenough, given by Mrs. W. W. Greenough.

Reference library of books on open shelves, accessible to all readers, formed in Bates Hall.

Special libraries (Fine Arts, Technical Arts, Music, the Bowditch, Ticknor, Barton, and other collections) placed on the upper floor of the Library building. Many thousand books placed on open shelves.

Gift of the original manuscript of the "El castigo sin venganza" of Lope de Vega, from Miss Anna E. Ticknor.

First section of John S. Sargent's decoration, "The Triumph of Religion," placed.

Joseph Lindon Smith's fresco, Venetian lobby, finished.

Five sections of Edwin A. Abbey's frieze, "The Holy Grail," finished and placed in position; the remaining panels finished in February, 1902.

The card catalogues were placed in drawers which could be taken from their places and used at tables, at the convenience of the reader.

Largest panel of the mural decoration of Puvis de Chavannes placed; the other eight panels were installed the following year.

1896. January. The publication of a Monthly Bulletin of books added to the Library, was begun.

January. The Quarterly Bulletin ceased publication. Fourteen volumes were published, beginning with October, 1867.

January. A bronze bust of Oliver Wendell Holmes, ordered by the City of Boston of the sculptor Richard Edwin Brooks, placed in Bates Hall.

January 4. Appropriation of \$44,000 for furnishing the new Library building, authorized.

January 16. Delivery station opened on Broadway Extension (Station P).

February. Gift from Col. Thomas W. Higginson of a collection of books, numbering nearly one thousand, on the history of woman, to be called the Galatea Collection.

February 3. The West End Branch opened in the old West Church building, with 8,600 volumes, and with accommodations for 250 readers. Of these volumes, between 5,000 and 6,000 were selected and bought by the Woman's Education Association, with funds raised from private subscription.

March 16. Upham's Corner Delivery Station (Station Q) opened.

- May 1. Warren Street Delivery Station (Station R) opened.
- May. Gift from Miss Anna E. Ticknor of a copy of a portrait, by Thomas Sully, of her father, George Ticknor.
- May. System of inter-library loans adopted.
- June 29. A bust of Benjamin Franklin, attributed to Ceracchi, given by Mr. Frank Wood.
- August. A collection of photographs, numbering over 1,100, was given to the Library as a memorial to Miss Harriet H. Graupner.
- September. From the estate of Mrs. Bessie S. Lockwood of Cambridge, gift of 1,643 volumes, to be known as "The Hiland Lockwood Gift."
- November. A fund of \$10,000 received from Miss Victorine Thomas Artz, of Chicago, "the income of this sum to be employed in the purchase of valuable rare editions of the writings, either in verse or prose, of American and of foreign authors." These books are to be known as the "Longfellow Memorial Collection."
- November. A legacy of \$2,500 received from the estate of the late Charles Mead of Boston.
- The Library received from Mr. and Mrs. James M. Codman, of Brookline, 611 volumes of works on landscape architecture, with photographs and prints. Given "in memory of Henry Sargent Codman and Philip Codman, landscape architects," by whom the collection was made.
- A bust of Whittier given by the sculptor, William Ordway Partridge, was placed in Bates Hall.
- A room fitted up for bound volumes of newspapers.
1897. January 18. Roxbury Crossing Delivery Station (Station S) opened.
- March 15. From the children of the late Dr. Benjamin Apthorp Gould a gift of 4,105 volumes, largely astronomical works.
- April. Gift of \$5,000 from the Twentieth Regiment Association of Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, the income to be expended in the purchase of books of a military and patriotic character.
- April 29. A collection of paintings by Howard Pyle, illustrative of scenes in the life of Washington and in colonial times, was given by friends of the Library.
- April 30. The Boston Browning Society gave its collection of books to this Library.
- May. A marble copy of the bust of Powers' Greek Slave received from Mrs. Margaret S. Otis.
- May. The sum of \$1,000 was given by the Papyrus Club, to be used in the purchase of books which shall serve as a memorial to John Boyle O'Reilly.
- June. A special appropriation for the new Broadway Extension Station was made by the city.
- June. A Bibliography of the Higher Education of Women published.
- November 1. Boylston Delivery Station (Station T) opened.
- November. The sum of \$1,000 received as a bequest from the late Rev. Caleb D. Bradlee of Brookline.
- November. The branches at Charlestown, East Boston, and South Boston, were opened for reading and reference on Sundays, from 2 to 10 P.M.
- December 8. José Francisco Carret died. He was for over twenty-two years a member of the Library service.

A List of Periodicals, Newspapers, Transactions, and other Serial Publications currently received in the Principal Libraries of Boston and Vicinity, was issued by the Library from material contributed by thirty-six libraries.

A bust of John Boyle O'Reilly, purchased by the City Council, placed in the Library.

The sum of \$1,321 subscribed for the purchase of photographs.

1898. January. The Boston Numismatic Society gave to the Library its collection of books and pamphlets, and also the sum of \$300.

January. The first Annual List of new and important books added to the Library was published.

March. Texts of the Four Great Documents in the Chamberlain Collection published.

May 28. The sum of \$100,000 additional authorized for completion of the new Library building.

June. The library of the American Statistical Association, consisting of about five thousand volumes, given to the Boston Public Library. It forms a part of the Division of Documents and Statistics, at that time established, in the charge of Mr. Worthington C. Ford.

June. Catalogue of the Galatea collection of books relating to the history of woman published.

July. List of books on social reform published.

December 27. Arthur Mason Knapp, the custodian of Bates Hall, died, after a service here of nearly twenty-four years.

December 27. Station U, No. 62 Union Park street, opened.

The sum of \$2,852.41 contributed by the relatives and friends of the late Henry Sargent Codman, the income to be used in the purchase of books upon landscape gardening.

The reclassification of the Branches on a common system begun.

Important alterations made in the Library building. The Newspaper and Periodical Reading Rooms made connecting departments, on the entrance floor; the Patent collection removed to the west wing, the Patent Room taken for a Children's Reference Room; the Executive offices, the Delivery Room, the Ordering Department, etc., enlarged; a service elevator installed; improvements in heating and ventilating.

1899. February. Library building on Boylston street sold for \$850,000 to the executors and trustees acting under the will of the late Frederick L. Ames. The proceeds were paid to the Board of Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of Boston.

April 3. Herbert Putnam resigned as Librarian to accept the position of Librarian of Congress. James L. Whitney was appointed Acting Librarian.

May 1. Children's Reference Room opened.

May 8. Hon. F. O. Prince resigned the presidency (term expired as Trustee); succeeded by Hon. Solomon Lincoln.

May 17. The Lecture Hall of the Library was opened with addresses connected with the unveiling of a bust of Sir Walter Scott, a gift to the Library from the Westminster Committee on the Scott Memorial.

June 4. Death of Philip Henry Savage, a member of the Library staff since 1896, and Clerk of the Corporation.

June 6. Death of Hon. Frederick O. Prince, a member of the Board of Trustees from 1888 to 1899, and from October, 1895, until his retirement in May, 1899, President of the Board.

June 17. Death of William W. Greenough, appointed a Trustee in 1856, and from 1866 until his retirement in 1888, President of the Board.

November 3. Industrial School Delivery Station (Station W) opened.

December 22. James L. Whitney appointed Librarian. January 12, 1900, Otto Fleischner appointed Assistant Librarian.

A Selected Bibliography of the Anthropology and Ethnology of Europe, by Prof. William Z. Ripley, was edited and published by the Library.

The Library received from the widow of Robert Louis Stevenson, original blocks of eighteen wood engravings executed by her late husband.

Crawford's statue of Beethoven, the property of the Handel and Haydn Society, deposited in trust with the Trustees of the Library.

Publication of An Index to the Pictures and Plans of Library Buildings to be found in the Boston Public Library, 2d enlarged edition.

Department of Manuscripts established.

Gift from Godfrey M. Hyams of \$1,000 for the purchase of French books on art.

1900. March 12. The first course of free lectures, under the auspices of the Trustees of the Library, begun in the Lecture Hall.

June. Finding list of genealogies and town and local histories published.

June 25. The sum of \$6,000 received, a legacy from the late Daniel Sharp Ford, publisher of the Youth's Companion, the income to be used for the purchase of books adapted to youth.

August. A Children's Room opened at the West End Branch Library.

August 4. Delivery Station N, at the corner of Dudley and Magazine streets, opened. Station N, 200 Blue Hill avenue, discontinued June, 1900.

October. The West Roxbury Branch Library enlarged.

November. A bust of Gen. Francis A. Walker, by Richard E. Brooks, placed in the arcade of the interior court of the Library.

December 29. Station B, hitherto a shop station, opened in a new location as the Roslindale Reading Room.

First consolidated Branch Finding List published.

A bronze bust of Wendell Phillips, by Milmore, given by Mr. A. Shuman, through the Wendell Phillips Memorial Association.

A portrait of the Rev. Dr. James Freeman Clarke, painted by Edwin T. Billings, given by members of the Church of the Disciples, through William Howell Reed.

The publication of the historical collections in manuscript in the Library begun.

A second collection of John Brown manuscripts given to the Library by Col. T. W. Higginson.

A collection of literary manuscripts, made by the late Rufus W. Griswold, given to the Library by his widow.

Gift from Mr. Andrew Carnegie, through Col. T. W. Higginson, of \$100, as the first annual contribution for the purchase for the Galatea collection of books relating to the history of woman.
Gift from George B. Knapp, in memory of his brother Arthur Mason Knapp, of a collection of medals and coins.

1901. January. The work begun of changing the Bates Hall card catalogue from double to single rod drawers.

January 5. Station Y, the Andrew-square Reading Room, opened in the John A. Andrew School-house, Dorchester street.

March. The ceiling decoration for the Children's Reference Room, by John Elliott, representing "The Triumph of Time," placed in position. A gift from the citizens of Boston.

June 25. Station Z, Orient Heights Reading Room, opened.

Numerous illuminated manuscripts received by the Library.

The sum of \$4,000 received by the will of the late Abram E. Cutter of Charlestown; also his library of books, subject to a life interest for his widow.

October. Italian fiction list published. Extensive improvements in the heating and ventilation of Bates Hall completed.

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